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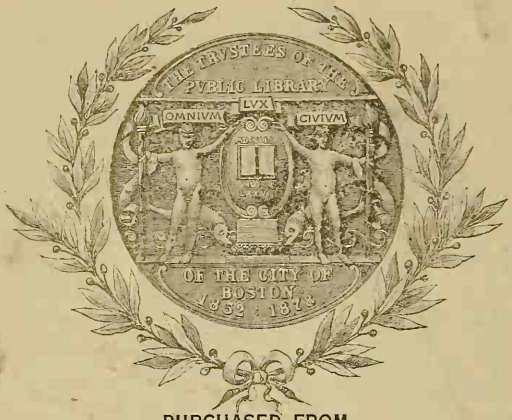

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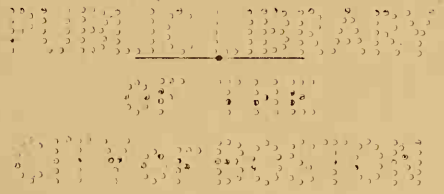

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"Who so unmindful of his birth, home, and country as not to desire to know from whence he came, who his ancestors were, what they have done, and to inquire what he is doing for the welfare of his fellow-man? and who does not feel a pride in tracing his descent through a long line of noble ancestors, his heart glowing with fervor to emulate the examples of the illustrious men?" — Hon. Marshall P. Wilder, Ph. D.

"A desire to be cherished in the regards of our absent friends, and to live in their memories when we shall be numbered among the dead, is one of the most common and powerful sentiments of our nature. It is not a weakness of our nature, but a heaven-born instinct. He only is willing that all remembrance of himself should be cut off, who is conscious that his memory can bring no blessing to himself or others. To all besides it is a sweet and animating assurance, strengthening in life and consoling in death, that they shall not entirely pass away from the world of loved and familiar things, but that their memory shall survive and flourish still."

Rev. C. H. Wheeler.

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PREFACE.

One of the hopeful signs of the times is found in the interest, which is of late becoming more general and wide-spread, in questions pertaining to genealogical inquiry. These questions are now taking firm hold of the popular mind. Good fruits have already been produced by the publication within the last few years of many excellent family histories. This increase of interest in our ancestors has also been specially apparent in the publication of many valuable town and other local histories.

These books will hereafter furnish important aid to future historians, when history shall have been reduced to a science, and historical studies shall have taken their true place in educational systems and private study.

The writer has for more than twenty years had an earnest desire to know something of his ancestors. He has for many years been convinced of the sterling worth, the indomitable energy, and the manly virtues manifested by the earlier generations of the Mowry family in New England.

About six years ago he found, in the first volume of the Providence Probate Records, the will of Nathaniel Mowry. This led to a careful perusal of the records of wills, deeds, births, marriages, and deaths, and other matters preserved in the town records of Providence and Smithfield. The fact was soon established beyond doubt that two brothers, John and Nathaniel Mowry, were among the earliest settlers of Northern Rhode Island, and the first ancestors of our race in this country. For nearly six years the writer has labored diligently to secure a record of Nathaniel Mowry's descendants, which should

be reasonably free from errors, and as full as it could well be made. Although it is not complete or perfect, and perhaps never could be, it is believed to be sufficiently full and reliable to warrant its publication. It has been the aim of the author to exercise all possible caution, and put nothing in the record which does not appear to be confirmed by reliable authority. Where any doubt exists, it is indicated by a question-mark, or in some other way.

Yet it is hardly possible to obtain information from so many different sources, much of which has been copied five or six times, without falling into some errors. The author will thank any one who discovers such errors to communicate them to him, in order that, should the subject be pursued further, or any additional account be published in the future, the errors may not be pepetuated.

Only those who have been engaged in similar service can appreciate the vast labor required to prepare a record of families long since passed away, and of families now living, but widely scattered. The writer can only claim an honest purpose, much painstaking, and great labor in the preparation of the work.

For the assistance kindly rendered by many hands he is duly grateful. He desires to make special mention of aid received from the following persons: first of all, his thanks are due to Erastus Richardson, Esq., author of the history of Woonsocket, for much aid and many kindly suggestions; to Ephraim Sayles, Esq., and Benjamin W. Mowry, Esq., of Smithfield, for valuable papers loaned; to Burrill R. Mowry, Esq., of Smithfield, for invaluable aid from time to time concerning many families, accurately remembered by him through a long period of many years; to Herbert E. Morey, Esq., of Boston, Mass., for many papers furnished, which have proved to be of much assistance in tracing the history of many families; to Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Masters, of Greenwich, N. Y., for much of the family history of the descendants of John Mowry, son of Nathaniel; to Elisha C. Mowry, Esq., of Providence, Nelson Mowry, Esq., of Wilbraham, Mass., and Mrs. Lydia C. Wells, of Charleston, S. C., for excellent sketches furnished; to many others, though unnamed here, yet remembered with gratitude, for kind assistance and encouraging words. He desires to express his high appreciation of the liberality of those who have generously contributed of their means to help defray the necessary

expense of publishing the work, without whose aid its publication could never have been accomplished. He would also make deserved mention of important assistance rendered, during summer vacations and winter evenings, in copying, collating, and adjusting papers, reading copy, correcting proof, and making the indexes, by his son, Arthur May Mowry.

The author takes this occasion to thank many subscribers for kind words and friendly notices of his book, recently published, entitled "RICHARD MOWRY; *His Ancestors and his Descendants*"; which embraces in its earlier pages the same matter as in this book, but the latter part gives the descendants of Richard only, with a very full biography of that worthy man, by his grandson, Richard D. Mowry, Esq., of San Francisco, Cal.

In giving dates, *no changes are made*, but whether Old Style or New Style, they are all given as they were found.

It may be proper to say to the general reader, that the Old Style continued in England and her colonies till 1752 ; that under the Old Style the new year began March 25 ; but that for many years before, in events occurring between Jan. 1 and March 25, both years were frequently named, since most of the other nations of Europe had already adopted the New Style, which began the year on the first of January. Also, when the style was changed by Act of Parliament in 1752, *eleven* days were dropped from the calendar, so that the *third* of September became the *fourteenth*.

To illustrate : Richard Mowry was born Feb. 11, 1748, O. S., which would be Feb. 22, 1749, N. S. Yet we might find it in the old family Bible, Feb. 11, 1748-9.

The book is now sent out to the family, as the author's contribution towards rescuing from oblivion and preserving for posterity the record of our ancestors, many of whom lived noble lives in the early history of these colonies. He hopes it will prove reasonably satisfactory to the families, and that charity will be shown towards its errors of commission and of omission.

Very respectfully,

WILLIAM A. MOWRY.

ELMWOOD, PROVIDENCE,
Sept. 21, 1878.

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INTRODUCTION.

From the records of real estate in the Town of Providence, it appears that among the earliest, if not the earliest settlers in Northern Rhode Island, were Edward Inman, and John Mowry. Soon after these men had established themselves, we find Stephen Arnold and Nathaniel Mowry with them.

Their first settlement was on Sayles's Hill, so called in modern times. The precise time, when they came to Rhode Island, is not known. Nor is it clear whether Edward and John came together or separately. It is surmised, however, that they both came here from the Massachusetts Bay Colony, where they had probably spent some time, prior to making their permanent settlement within the limits of this State.

There is but little doubt that this is the John Mowry who came over from London in the ship Blessing in 1635, aged 19. If so, it is now unknown where he was during the period that followed his landing in the Bay Colony, until we find him in Rhode Island. The first record which can now be found of his purchase of land was in 1666. He had probably lived here some years before the date of this deed:—

Indian Deed, 1666.

"Be it known unto all men by these presents, that I, William Minnion, of Punskepage, in ye Collony of ye Massachusetts Bay, have, upon good consideration moving me thereto, have freely given and passed over a tract of land unto Edward Inman and John Mowry, of Providence, etc., being two thousand acres more or less, ye bounds of their lands lying from Loquesit Northward.

"Ye first bound is a chestnut tree on ye South, marked on four sides at ye first Indian field on Wessulkuttomisk Hill, running a mile due North, and then upon a line to Ummohbukkonit, taking in all ye meadows, and so to run to Nysshacuck, and so to a clump of pines called ye Keyes, and so to ye spring called Wessukkattomsuk, to ye chestnut tree above-mentioned, and so to Pawtucket River. To have and to hold without any trouble or molestation by any Indians, and for the true performance hereof, I have sett my hand and seal ye 14th day of May, 1666.

WILLIAM MINNION."

"*In presence of*
Daniel Abbott,
John Steere."

There probably was a deed prior to this, which is sometimes spoken of in early records as the 1,000 acre deed, but no copy of it is now known to be extant. It is probably alluded to in a deed dated Providence, 12, 1, 1661, from "Alexander, alias Waumsitton, or Sepauqut" to "Thomas Olney, Sen., John Sayles, John Brown, Valentine Whitman, and Roger Williams," in which the Indian deeded to the white men "all my right and interest, claim and challenge, unto my lands, grounds and meadows, lying and being on the west side of Seecunk or Pawtuckqut

river, for the use of the town of Providence, *excepting a tract of land about four or five miles*, which I gave leave to William, or Quashawaunamut of Massachuset, to dispose of, which said land begins at the old field of Wesquadomisk."*

Although this deed mentions only Edward Inman and John Mowry as purchasers, we soon after find associated with them Nathaniel Mowry, a brother of John, many years his junior, and Stephen Arnold. It is probable that Nathaniel was a partner at the time of the deed, although the transaction with the Indian was only with Edward and John. Possibly this was owing to the fact that the former deed was to those two men. In 1668, it appears by old papers still in existence that Inman sold one share of his right to John Steere, and one to Thomas Walling. There were then five proprietors; and from the document given below it would seem that Edward Inman held one share; John Steere, one; Thomas Walling, one; John and Nathaniel Mowry in partnership, one; John alone, one; and Nathaniel, one.

AGREEMENT, 1668.

"We, the proprietors, being met together this tweneth daye of April, one thousand six hundred sixti and eight, doo conclude and agree as foloweth: to make an equal division of a certain tract of land and medo [meadow] which we had originally of William Anminion; that is to say to each proprietor three hundred acres of upland and swampes; and six acres medo; and that no proprietor amonst us shall have any medo layed out in his grate lot; but that

*See Staples' Annals, p. 575,

which is medo shall be taken up for medo ; and that each manes land shall be laid out with all convenient speede that may be if desired ; and that a publick record be keept of each mans land and medo ; and that the remainder of the land and medo undivided doo remain as comon till we see cause further to Agree ; we haveing drawed our lots for this present division of six Acres of medo ; Edward Inman first in turn in medo ; John Steer third, John Mory and Nathaniel Mory are second and Nathaniel Mory is forth, Thomas Wallin is fifth and John Mory sixth ; and this present division of upland and medo to be laid out by the sixteen foot and a half to the pole ; also reserving to ourselves convenient highways threwout this whole tract if need require ; loweing [allowing] to that man in whose land it shall fall reesnable [reasonable] satisfaction ; and that Arthur Fenner take care of this our agreement untill he hath transcribed unto us true copies hereof : which is oned [owned] to be as authentick to us as the original with the subscription of his hand ; in the true performance of these our agreements we have here unto subscribed our names.

EDWARD INMAN,
The mark of T. W. THOMAS WALLING,
JOHN STEER,
NATHANIEL MOWRY,
JOHN MOWRY,
NATHANIEL MOWRY.

This is a true coppy of the original ; in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand this 23 : day of February : 1707: 8 ARTHUR FENNER."

Another interesting question here suggests itself ; were John and Nathaniel Mowry of the same family as Roger Mowry, who came over from England in 1631, and afterwards settled in Providence. It is quite possible, and perhaps probable that Roger was a brother of John and

Nathaniel, yet at this day no evidence has been found to make it certain. It may not be altogether a fanciful inquiry whether this Roger Mawry (as it was generally spelled) was not a relative of Roger Williams. This is suggested from the following facts :

In the records of Boston may be found the following :

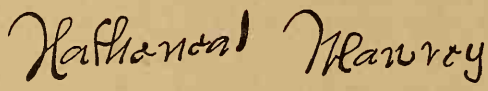
"Eighteen May, 1631, names of such as desire to be made ffreemen, [among them] Roger Mawry, Roger Williams."

Soon after this without waiting to accept the duties and privileges of "ffreemen" in that colony, they both went to Plymouth and resided there several years, then Roger Williams moved to Salem, and Roger Mawry either went with him or followed him soon after, for in 1637 he was a member of the church in Salem and was appointed "Neatherd." His oldest son Jonathan was left in Plymouth, where he lived and died, and many of his descendants are there to this day. Subsequently he followed Roger Williams to Providence. The first record known of him in Providence was in 1649. He died January 5th, 1666.

There is a tradition that John Mowry and his wife both died of small-pox and were buried on their farm on Sayles's Hill, on land now belonging to Benjamin Sayles, 2d. A document, well preserved, is now in the possession of Ephraim Sayles, Esq., of Smithfield, (to whom the writer is specially indebted for many kindnesses, particularly for the privilege of examining many valuable papers of great age now in his possession,) which "quit claims unto the aforesaid John Mowry a piece of land of two poles square, adjoining on the northeastern side of the said highwaye, at

the place where his father and mother was buried." This document is signed by James Bick, to whom John Mowry (son of John 1st) had deeded his farm. No reservation having been made of this burial ground, Bick quit-claimed it back to John. This quit-claim deed was written by Nathaniel Mowry, and witnessed by him and John Sayles, February 3, 1710–11.

Below is a *fac simile* of his autograph in witness of the above quit-claim.



Nathaniel's age at this time is proved by a deposition made by him about a month previous to the above date, viz.: January 6, 1710–11, in which he says he was then 66 years of age.

He was therefore born about 1644. If John was he who came over in the Blessing in 1635, Nathaniel must have been born after his brother's departure from the old country. Nathaniel married in the fall of 1666, Johannah Inman, daughter of Edward, he being at that time, therefore, a young man of 22 years of age.

John and Nathaniel were admitted freemen in Providence, May 1, 1672.

They were brothers, without doubt, although some have heretofore supposed otherwise.

In proof of this the following is copied from the Providence Records :

"At a meeting of the Town Council of Providence, April 16, 1695, *Nathaniel Mowry* hath this day given in to the Council an account of his administration upon the estate

of *his deceased brother, John Mowry.* * * * * * The Council hath examined and allowed his account, and find that all debts and charges paid, there is yet * * * remaining to be divided amongst the children, the sum of £48, 10s only what James Phillips and his wife had of the said John Mowry, before the death of the said John Mowry, shall also be counted dividable with the rest of the estate. And whereas John Mowry, heir of the deceased John Mowry, is now of full age to receive his part of the said estate, the Council do hereby order the administrator, Nathaniel Mowry, to deliver his part of the said estate into his hands."

It may not be amiss to add a word here in reference to other Mowrys in America.

We have spoken above of John and Nathaniel, and of Roger.

Savage in his New England Genealogical Dictionary mentions in addition to the above, Jonathan, of Plymouth, who, we have already seen, was the elder son of Roger; and George Morey, Duxbury, 1640. Of this George nothing need be said in this place.

Besides these we find Benjamin, of Kingston, 1688. He was undoubtedly son of Roger, of Providence, as Roger had a son Benjamin, who was born May 8, 1649.

Thomas, of Roxbury, was also son of Roger and was born July 19, 1652. All these can be properly accounted for, but the "*Rhode Island Colonial Records*" mention a Joseph Morie, as deputy from Jamestown in 1686, and (probably the same) Joseph Mowry, grand jury man in 1687, and same name, constable the same year.

It has not yet been determined who *this* Joseph was.

In regard to the spelling of the name a few words may be said. In the early records its orthography varies to an almost unlimited degree. It is Mory, Morey, Mowry, Mowrey, Mawry, Mawrey, Mawrie, Moorie, and various other ways. Much of this variety is owing to the little attention paid in those days to orthography, and much may be attributed to the fact that most of the documents that have come down to us are copies, and we have preserved only the spelling of the clerk. Yet even when the original papers are preserved, the spelling is by no means uniform.

In a document referred to heretofore from which Nathaniel Mowry's autograph is taken, written evidently by Nathaniel, he spells John *Mowry*, repeatedly, and in affixing his own signature, he spells it *Mawrey*. But in the same signature he spells Nathaniel, Nathan*eal*. Yet he was a good writer, evidently more versed in literary and legal matters than most of his neighbors. In process of time, the spelling *Mowry* prevailed almost exclusively among the descendants of John and Nathaniel, and that of *Morey*, with equal uniformity among the descendants of George, and many of the descendants of Roger, (perhaps altogether among the descendants of Roger's son Thomas, of Roxbury.)

Whether there was a difference in the spelling in England, it may be now impossible to say. There are persons now living in England, by the name of *Morey;* and I have heard it said that there are other families,—called *landed* families, who spell the name *Mowry*.

The place where they first established themselves was near the summit of " Sayles's Hill," so-called, or as it was

generally known for the first hundred years, "Mowry's Hill." Probably the same reasons prevailed in this case to induce them to settle upon the top of a high hill, as in most of the neighboring towns of the Bay Colony. Unquestionably the advantage which such a position gave them in guarding against surprises from the Indians, and in defending themselves from the assaults of these natives were prominent reasons for selecting high ground for their settlement. There are some scraps of information still in existence concerning fights with the Indians from their fort on this hill.

About fifteen years after the date of the deed given above we find the proprietors to be John and Nathaniel Mowry, Edward Inman and Stephen Arnold. They had bought land of various parties, and in 1682, there having arisen some disputes as to the boundary of these lands, the Town of Providence appointed commissioners to run out the lands and define the boundaries. The commission did its work and made report to the town, the boundaries were confirmed, and an instrument somewhat similar to a deed, and largely answering the purpose of one, was granted to the said John and Nathaniel Mowry, Edward Inman and Stephen Arnold, signed by these commissioners, who evidently were among the first men of the town. Their names were Arthur Fenner, William Hopkins, John Whipple, Jr., Thomas Olney, Jr., and Richard Arnold. By this deed of the commisioners it appeared that these four men now owned 3,500 acres of land, extending from the west side of Woonsocket Hill eastward nearly to Pawtucket, and from Woonsocket and the Blackstone river on the north, southerly nearly to Stillwater and Georgiaville.

These commissioners describe this land as follows : *

"It lieth in three parts, namely :—

"1. Two thousand three hundred and fifty acres lieth north and by west across the eastern end of said tract—part bordering upon Pawtucket River, and part upon a small stream called Wasquadonsett.

"2. One thousand acres at Wansaukit Hill, beginning at the south end of said hill, and so ranging northward to the Pawtucket, the north end thereof bordering upon said river, the southeastern corner being bounded with a snag tree, and from the said tree to range west to a low rock, which is a southwestern corner bound ; and from said rock to range north to a big rock standing in Pawtucket river—a white oak tree standing southward from said rock, a little way from the brim of the river bank, being marked for a range tree, the which said rock is a northwestern corner bound ; and from said rock to follow the river unto a walnut tree, marked from the brim of the river banks, the which said walnut tree is a northeastern corner bound of the said thousand acres of land.

"3. One hundred and fifty acres where James Blackmore's house once stood, the said land being four square, Blackmore's house being in the middle of it."

Soon after this they divided the land between them, each taking his portion, and about this time they separated from Sayles's Hill and each family took up a residence by itself.

Nathaniel lived over fifty years after his marriage, and died March 24, 1717–18, a little over 73 years of age.

The exact date of his marriage is not known, but we have the following, by which we may fix this important event as occurring early in the fall of 1666.†

*Richardson's History of Woonsocket, p. 32.

†Savage says he was married in July, 1666. This is unquestionably premature.

"At a town meeting Aug. 28, 1666, Nathaniel Mowry, hath this day declared his intention of marriage with Johannah Inman,* it being the first time of publishing."

This Johannah was the daughter of Edward Inman.

In a *rate bill* for taxing the inhabitants of the Town of Providence, dated June 16, 1713, the following Mowrys are mentioned, and taxed as follows:

	£	s.	d.
Nathaniel Mowry.....	0	15	00
Henry Mowry, [son of Nathaniel].....	0	8	06
John Mowry, Jr., [" "].....	0	5	00
John Mowry, [son of John].....	0	14	00
Joseph Mowry, [son of Nathaniel].....	1	5	00

Of more than 130 names upon this bill, representing the northern section of the town, only *one* name was taxed for a larger sum than this Joseph Mowry.

In one or two instances, where *two* persons were taxed together, the tax exceeded that levied against him.

Will of Nathaniel Mowry.†

"I, Nathaniel Mowrey, of Providence, in the colony of Rhoad Island and Providence Plantations in New England, yeoman, being weak of body, but of sound and dissposeing memory, (praise be given to God for the same) doe make this my last will and testament in manner and form following:

"First and principally, I commit my sperit into the marcifull hands of Almighty God my Creator: and my body I commit to the earth to be decently buried after the decression [discretion] of my executor hereinafter named:

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* Record of Deeds, &c., Prov., Book 1.

† From Wills, &c., No. 2, 1716-26. Council Records,"—Providence.

and as to the worldly estate which the Lord hath lent mee in this present life, I give and bequeathe as followeth: *Imprimis;* I give and bequeathe unto my son Nathaniell Mowrey, one-hundred acres of land which is scituate and lieing upon the hill called Wansecutt hill, within the township of Providence, aforesaid: to have and to hold the the said hundred acres of land, be it more or less, with the priviledges and appurtinanses, unto him—my aforesaid son Nathaniell, his heirs and assigns forever.

"2dly. I give and bequeathe unto my son John Mowrey Ten acres of land which lieth adjoyning to his homestead, and also Thirty acres of land lieing upon the west side of the aforesaid Wansecutt hill, within the township of Providence aforesd, it being the one-halfe of sixty acres of land which lieth in partinorship betwixt my son John Mowrey and myself, to have and to hold the said ten acres unto him—my sd son John, and unto his heirs and assigns with all singulier the priviledges and appurtinanses thereunto belonging forever.

"3dly. I give and bequeathe unto my son Henry Mawrey fifty acres of land to be taken of on the north side of my homestead, where on I now dwell, which is scituate within the towneship of Providence above said and upon Wesquotomsit hill, the said fifty acres to be devided of with a straight line and to be of equal breadth throughout from East to West on the North side of my sd homestead: to have and to hold the said fifty acres of land with all and singulier the priviledges and appurtinanses there in contained unto him—my said son Henry Mawrey his heirs and assigns forever.

"4thly. I give and bequeathe unto my son Joseph Mawrey the remainder parte of all my homestead which I suppose to be one hundred and ten acres of land with the dwelling house standing there on, orchard, and all other and singulier, the priviledges and appurtinanses there unto

belonging: he allowing the priviledge of the dwelling house to his mother during the term of her naturall life: to have and to hold the said hundred and ten acres of land be it more or less, with the dwelling house and orchard and priviledges afore sd unto him, my afore sd son Joseph Mawrey, his heirs and assigns forever: provided he doth not charge the money I have had of him, so as to have destitution out of my other estate: it being under that consideration of the money I have had of him that I give him so much more than the other of his brothers.

"5thly. I give and bequeathe unto my daughter Martha Mawrey one halfe house lott, so-called, in a late devision made in and about the towne of Providence aforesaid: and halfe a right in the Common Lands on the east side of the seaven mile line in said Providence, the said halfe lott and halfe right in the commons being in the origanall right of Richard Pray: *Item*, I give and bequeathe unto my aforesaid daughter Martha a small piece of meadow lieing att a place called Popple swamp neare Mateteconnet: within the towne ship of Providence aforesaid. To have and to hold the said Lands, Commons, Meadow and Priviledges aforesaid unto her, my aforesaid daughter Martha Mawrey, her heirs and assigns forever.

"6thly. I give and bequeathe unto my loving wife Johannah Mawrey my dwelling house dureing the term of her naturall life, and, after her decease, to go to my son Joseph or his heirs or assigns as aforesaid: Item, I give and bequeathe unto my sd loveing wife all my house hold goods of what sort so ever to be equally devided amongst my six daughters, namely Sarah Phillips, Mary Arnold, Johannah Pheteplace, Patience Smith, Marcy Smith & Experience Malavory, and to be unto them, there Heirs or assigns forever.

"7thly. I give and bequeathe unto my aforesaid six daughters, as namely: Sarah Phillips, Mary Arnold, Jo-

hannah Pheteplace, Patience Smith, Marcy Smith, & Experience Malavory: all my whole stock of cattle to be equally devided amongst them my aforesaid six daughters and to be unto them, theire heirs and assigns:—excepting onely one Cow I have already varbaly given to my daughter Martha Mawrey and a meaire coult which is not to come into the division.

"And my will is that my two sons Joseph Mawrey and Henry Mawrey shall take the care and provide for theire mother, my wife, during the time of her naturall Life as she may have nessesaryes fit for her condition in her old age: and I doe name and appoynt my son Joseph Mawrey to be my sole executor to this my last Will and Testament. In witness whereof I do hereunto sett my hand and seale this 18th day of March, in the fourth yeare of his Majestye's Reigne, George, King of Greate Brittan, &c. Anno Dom.: 1717–8.

NATHANIEL MAWREY. {L.S.}
his + marke.

"Signed, sealed and pronounced in the presence of us.

JOHN MAWREY,
JOSEPH BOLKCOME,
RICHARD WATERMAN, JUNR.

"Att a towne council held att Providence this 4th day of Aprill: 1718——

"The within will was examined, approved and allowed to be recorded.

Attest Per RICHARD WATERMAN, *Clerke.*

Recorded this 18th day of April, 1718.

Per mee, RICHARD WATERMAN, *Clerke.*

Inventory of Nathaniel Mowry's Estate.

"A true Inventory of all the Goods and Chattles and Credits of Nathaniel Mawrey of Providence, who deceased March the 24th, 1717.

	£	s.	d.
Imprimis—His wearing apparil	11	08	00
Item—Bills of Creadit	4	14	10
Item—A feather bed and bedstead and furniture belonging to it—all old	08	00	00
Item—Four Sheets, a table Cloth, two napkins and sum other old linin	01	08	06
Item—A paire of Stillards	00	16	00
Item—A Chest	00	09	00
Item—An old Chest and a box	00	02	00
Item—A paire of money Skales and two pair of Cards and some old things	00	14	06
Item—A Stone Jugg and sum Rum in it, and a Earthin Pott and Suger	00	08	00
Item—Four Bags, sum Meele and a Riddle,	00	11	00
Item—Rye in a Barrill	00	10	00
Item—Three Pewter Platters	00	17	00
Item—Four Pewter basons, two plates and two porringers	00	16	00
Item—Three old basens, seaven spoons an oald Pott and some old Peuter	00	09	06
Item—A Chamber Pott	00	03	00
Item—Two brass Kettles	02	00	00
Item—Two Skillits, a old warming pan	00	12	00
Item—Two Iron Potts, a iron Kettle and Pott hooks	00	18	00
Item—Two frycing pans, one very old	00	05	00
Item—A churn, a sett wash tub, two barrills and sum old lumber	00	08	06
Item—Hoggs fat in a tub and a Earthin pott and other old things	00	09	00
Item—Two tubs, a paile and four trays	00	09	00

	£	s.	d.
Item—Pork in two barrils	04	00	00
Item—A grindstone, an iron pin, a candle-stick and a Trowel	00	06	00
Item—A narra ax, 2 old axes and an adds.	00	09	00
Item—2 augers 2 Chizels, a hamer and pincher	00	05	00
Item—2 bolte rings, 3 wedges an old Cleevis and pin	00	03	06
Item—A square, a sickle a hooke and sum other old things	00	05	00
Item—An old gun	00	06	00
Item—Two old chains and a narra ax	00	12	00
Item—A poale, 3 hoos and spade	00	08	06
Item—Hors trases, taile cheaine, coller and harnes	00	06	00
Item—Saddle, maile pillion and bridle	00	12	00
Item—A carte rope and halter	00	06	00
Item—A old Bible and four old books	00	07	00
Item—A tobacco box, tongs, a knife and Glass bottle	00	01	00
Item—Two beds in the chamber	05	03	00
Item—Salt in a barril	00	02	00
Item—Beans, some malte and hops	00	09	00
Item—Nailes and old iron, some sheepes woll and two Calves skins	00	11	00
Item—Two Tramels and fire tongs	00	10	00
Item—Plough Irons	00	04	00
Item—Indian Corne	00	10	06
Item—A spinning wheel	00	02	06
Item—Two barrils Cyder, some Empty Cask and trays in the seller	01	14	00
Item—A Mayr	9	00	00
Item—Six Cows, 2 heifers 5 yeare olds and some hay	42	00	00
Item—Four Swine	01	14	00
Totall	106	08	02

"Praisied March ye 31st 1718, by

JOHN MOWRE.
SAMUEL COMSTOCK, JUNR."

"Recorded this 18th day of Aprill, Anno Dom. 1716.

Per mee RICHARD WATERMAN, *Clerke*."

On the back side of the Inventory it was written as followeth : —

"At a Town Council held att Providence this 4th day of Aprill, Anno Dom. 1718, the within Inventory was examined, approved and allowed to be recorded.

As attest: Per RICHARD WATERMAN, *Clerke*."

"Recorded this 18th day of Aprill, Anno Dom. 1718.

Per mee RICHARD WATERMAN, *Clerke*."

CAPT. JOSEPH MOWREY'S POWER OF EXECUTOR ON ESTATE OF NATHANIEL MOWREY.

"Where as Mr. Nathaniell Mowrey of this Towne of Providence in the Colony of Rhoad Island and Providence Plantations in New England, yeoman, who departed this life March the 24th, 1717–8: did, in his last Will and Testament, appoint his son Joseph Mowrey to be executor to his sd Will, and where as the said Joseph Mowrey hath presented an Inventory of the estate of his sd deceased father to the Towne Councill of Providence afore said, which was by the said Towne Councill accepted : and hath also given bond for his true and faithfull performance of his administration upon sd estate :

"These are therefore to order and fully empower you, Capt. Joseph Mowrey of Providence above sd to take into your care and custody all and singulier the moveable estate, goods, cattle and chattels which belonged unto your said deceased father att ye time of his death, with the debts due to said estate : and on the same to administer, in order to pay his debts and performe his will: and to act

and doe in all cases relating the premises as neede shall require, as the law empowereth an executor to do.

" Given at a Towne Council held at Providence above said this 4th day of Aprill, in the fourth yeare of his Majestyes Reign George King of Great Brittan, &c. Anno Dom. 1718.

L.S. Signed and sealed by order of the Councill and on their behalfs.

Per mee RICHARD WATERMAN, *Clerke of ye Councill.*

Recorded per mee RICHARD WATERMAN, *Clerke.*"

CAPTAIN JOSEPH MOWREY'S ACCOUNT AS ADMINISTRATOR ON ESTATE OF HIS FATHER NATHANIEL MOWREY.

" APRIL 14th, 1718.

" Paid to satisfie Martha Mowrey for her trouble and care for what shee did for my mother in the time of her sickness, twelve shillings..... 00 12 00

April 14, 1718. Paid to Lidia Bolkcome, two shillings..... 00 02 00

April 17, 1718. John Mowrey for prisner and going to towne, five shillings..... 00 05 00

April 19, 1718. Paid to John Crawford one pound..... 01 00 00

April 28, 1718. John Sayles, Junr. for digging the two graves, six shillings..... 00 06 00

April 28, 1718. Richard Sayles, for his worke towerds makeing of the two cofins six shillings..... 00 06 00

April 29, 1718. To John Arnold for bords for the cofins and his worke towerds makeing, fifteen shillings..... 00 15 00

May 17, 1718. Paid to Joseph Whipple, one pound and three shillings..... 01 03 00

May 17, 1718. Paid to Doctor Bowing, fourteen shillings..... 00 14 00

June 2th, 1718. Mr. Samuel Wilkinson Justice of the Peace taken the Count of the Inventory and wrighteing of the Probate, five shillings	00	05	00
June 3d, 1718. Paid to Abigail Harris, four shillings	00	04	00
June 4, 1718. Paid to Joseph Balkcum, four shillings and three pence	00	04	03
August 1, 1718. Paid to Samuel Comstock, shillings	00	06	00
September 20, 1718. Paid to Leiutt. Samuel Thard twelve shillings	00	12	00
January 29, 1718, or 19. Paid to John Arnold, Senr., three shillings	00	03	00
February 29th, 1718, or 19. Reconed with Mr. Joseph Whipple. Paid to him two pounds, sixteen shillings and five pence	02	16	05
Paid to ye Towne Councill	00	06	00
To ye Clerke for writeing	00	07	06

"The above written is an account of my administration upon the moveable estate of my honrd father, Nathaniel Mowrey, deceased.

PROVIDENCE, April ye 20th, 1719.

JOSEPH MOWREY."

"Recorded this 29th day of April, Anno Dom. 1719."

RECEIPTS OF THE HEIRS OF NATHANIEL MOWRY TO CAPT. JOSEPH MOWRY, EXECUTOR.

"Received this fifth day of May, 1718, wee Richard Phillips, John Arnold, Edward Smith, Joseph Smith, Walter Pheteplace and John Molavory, of the towne of Provi-

dence, in the Colony of Rhode Island, in New England: of Joseph Mawrey of the towne and colony above sd, Executor of his honored Father Nathaniel Mawrey, of the towne and colony above said, deceased, the legacies which were given to our wives, viz.: Sarah Phillips, Mary Arnold, Marcy Smith, Patience Smith, Hannah Pheteplace, and Experience Malavory, by theire honored father the sd Nathaniel Mawrey in and by his last will and testament which was all his household goods and all his stock of cattle, except one cow and one colt, of which said household goods and stock of cattle wee, the said Richard Phillips, John Arnold, Edward Smith, Joseph Smith, Walter Pheteplace, and John Molavory, do acquit and fully discharge the said Joseph Mawrey, his heirs, executors, administrators, and every of them forever, by these presents.

"In witness where of wee have here unto sett our hands and seals the seacond day of June, Anno Dom. 1718.

Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of

VALLINTINE WHITMAN.
JOHN WHITMAN.
SAML WILKINSON, *Justice.*

RICHARD PHILLIPS, [L.S.]
JOHN ARNOLD, [L.S.]
EDWARD SMITH, [L.S.]
JOSEPH SMITH, [L.S.]
WALTER PHETEPLACE, [L.S.]
The marke of JOHN + MALAVORY. [L.S.]

"May the 5th, 1718: I Received of my brother Joseph Mawrey my portion in full which my father gave to me by will, I say Received by mee MARTHA MOWREY.
her + marke."

"as witness my hand RICHARD PHILLIPS."
"as witness my hand LIDIA BOLKCOME."

"The above Receipts recorded this 22d of November, 1718, by mee

RICHARD WATERMAN,
Clerke."

CHAPTER I.

THE FIRST GENERATION.

1. NATHANIEL MOWRY, born 1644; married in 1666, JOHANNAH, daughter of Edward Inman; died March 24, 1717–18, aged 73.

CHILDREN.

2. Nathaniel.
3. John.
4. Henry.
5. Joseph.
6. Martha.
7. Sarah.
8. Mary.
9. Johannah.
10. Patience.
11. Marcy.
12. Experience.

All of these children are known to have been married except Nathaniel and Martha. It is supposed they died unmarried. A full account of Nathaniel Senior having already been given, we now pass to the second generation.

CHAPTER II.

THE SECOND GENERATION.

3. JOHN MOWRY, son of Nathaniel, called John Mowry, Jr., married March 24, 1699, ELIZABETH CLARK.

CHILD.

13. John, b. about 1700.

There remains some doubt concerning who this John was. In those early days there were so many different persons by the name of John Mowry that it is somewhat difficult, when the name is found, to determine which person is meant. In the records of deeds this John, son of Nathaniel, was called *John, Jr.*, while John the son of John (Nathaniel's brother), being younger than John, Jr., received the name of *John, 2d.*

One John Mowry was called "Black-headed John"; and another, who lived at a place called Nipsachuck, or Nipsachuck Hill, was called "Nipsachuck John." The Josephs were also so numerous that one was known as "Candle-haired Joe," one "Captain Joseph," and a little later one was called "Bachelor Joe." Indeed, special cognomens were very common. Of two Job Mowrys, at a little later date, one was dignified by the name "Royal

Job," or "Job the Royal Sawyer" (in common parlance, "Rial Job"); while the other, for some reason, was denominated "Flick-an-flaw Job."

The Daniels also were distinguished in the following manner: "Captain Daniel," "Daniel Jr.," "Daniel ye 3d," "Daniel ye 4th," and "Hill Daniel."

There are no records in Smithfield or Providence to show what became of this John, Jr., or whether he had any children. But the records of a very respectable family in Greenwich, Washington County, N. Y., are sufficiently full and reliable to prove beyond much doubt that this John, Jr., had one son, named John, and that he married Anna Appleby, and had a son John. The proof is not conclusive, but nearly so, that he was the son of John, Jr., and Elizabeth.

If this point be admitted, all the known facts in the history of this family can be reconciled, and, so far as I can discover, on no other theory. John Mowry, who married Anna Appleby, if the son of John, Jr., and Elizabeth, was born about 1700, or a little later. His son John was born probably about 1725 or 1730. The father died soon after the birth of the son, leaving Anna a widow. She subsequently married a Mr. Latham, and they had two children, a daughter named Rhoda, and a son named Arthur. This son John married Lois Potter, daughter of John and Elizabeth Potter. Elizabeth was the daughter of Elizabeth and Robert Earle, of Newport, R. I. Probably this marriage was about 1755 or 1758. He was a baker, and supplied the American troops with bread during the Revolution. After peace was declared

he moved to Woodstock, Conn., and purchased a farm. He had nine children, seven sons and two daughters. He lived and died in Woodstock.

His son William, born in 1779, learned the cotton manufacturing business of Samuel Slater, at Pawtucket; and after removing to Washington County, N. Y., set up the first cotton machinery in that State. The evidence is so strong that this family sprang from John, Jr., and Elizabeth, that I shall venture to place them so in the record.

4. HENRY MOWRY, son of Nathaniel, married[1] Nov. 27, 1701, MARY BULL, of Providence, daughter of Isaac and Mary Bull. He died Sept. 23, 1759.

CHILDREN.

14. Mary, b. Sept. 28, 1702.
15. Uriah, b. Aug. 15, 1705.
16. Jonathan, b. June 1, 1708.
17. Jeremiah, b. April 7, 1711.
18. Sarah, b. April 5, 1717.
19. Elisha.
20. Phebe.

Married[2] Jan. 4, 1733–4, Hannah Mowry, in Glocester. She was widow of John Mowry, 2d, who was the son of John, and own cousin of Henry. Her maiden name was Packard.

Henry Mowry was a prominent man in his day. He lived and died on the home farm of his father. The place has been in the family till very lately. It is situated on the northerly side of Sayles's Hill, and has been known of

late as the Tyler Mowry place. Since his death, his daughter, Miss Sarah Ann Mowry, lived there, till her decease, a year or two ago, and now the place has gone out of the family.

Henry Mowry was a very active man, and filled the office of constable for many years. Some one has said that "The Mowrys have been noted for their hard work to get money, and quite as famous for their inability to keep it, by reason of their inclination for the law." However this may be, it would certainly appear that some of them have been much inclined to litigation. They probably, as a class, have quite an average share of wilfulness, if not stubbornness. Henry and his brother, Captain Joseph, were for several years engaged in a lawsuit about the boundary of a piece of land. The one sued the other for trespass, and in turn was sued for assault and battery. Finally they agreed to submit the case to arbitration, and it was decided — which way is of no material consequence at this day. The Arbitration Bond given between these men is a curiosity. It is dated Sept. 4, "In the eighth year of his Majesties Reign, George, King of Great Britain, &c., Annoque Domini, 1721."

The amount of the bond is "one hundred pounds current money of New England."

"The condition of this obligation is such that if the above bounden Joseph Mowry, his heirs, executors, or administrators shall and Do in all things well and truly stand to, obey, abide, observe, perform, fulfill, and keep the award, arbitrament, order, final end, Determination and Judgment of Joseph Jenckes, Andrew Harris and Philip

Tillinghast (or any two of them agreeing), all of Providence aforesaid, Gentlemen Arbitrators, indifferently chosen, selected and named, as well on the part and behalf of the above bounden Joseph Mowry, as on ye part and behalf of the above mentioned Henry Mowry, to arbitrate, award, order, Judge, Determine and a final end to make, of, for, upon, touching & concerning any measures or bounds, of Lands in controversy between them, and all manner of actions, troubles, or Controversys between the said Henry Mowry and Joseph Mowry, at or before the Day of the Date of these Presents. For by reason or means of a suit commenced by the said Joseph Mowry against the said Henry Mowry, as ye said Joseph Mowry is attorney to Benjamin Paine, and to take for their bounds & measures for their lands in controversy such as the said arbitrators shall order & erect to be measured, made, & settled between them: So as the said award, arbitrament, final end and determination of the said arbitrators or any two of them, of, in, and upon the premises be made & put in writing under their hands and seals, Ready to be Delivered to each party, at, on or before the Twenty eighth Day of this Instant, September —— ——, at the house of William Turpin, in Providence, within mentioned, and it is further agreed between the parties within mentioned that if either of the said arbitrators should through Sickness, Death, or any other Casualty not be able to finish the said award; That if the said Joseph Jenckes should be wanting, then the said Joseph Mowry shall choose another in his room; if the said Philip Tillinghast should be wanting then the sd Henry Mowry shall choose another in his room; and if the said Andrew Harris should be wanting then the said Joseph Mowry & Henry Mowry shall choose such a person as they two shall think proper. And to finish all matters & Differences between them as well those not mentioned as mentioned. Then the above or within obligation

to be void & of no effect, otherwise to stand & remain in full force and Virtue in the Law."

JOSEPH MOWRY. {L. S.}

"Signed, Sealed & Delivered
In the Presence off us,
ROBERT CURRIE.
CHARLES BURDIN.

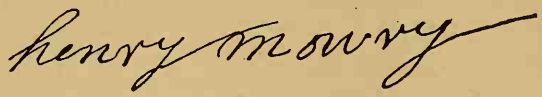
It is supposed, at this distant day, in the absence of any evidence to the contrary, that the "award, arbitrament, final end and determination of these arbitrators" was made, and that the parties did "well and truly stand to, obey, abide, observe, perform, fulfill and keep the award, arbitrament, order, final end, determination and judgment," etc. etc. etc.

Be this as it may, it is certainly true that while the papers of "the parties aforesaid" are full of matters pertaining to "measures or bounds of lands in controversy between them," for several years previous to the date of this bond, no mention is made in any paper, now to be found, of any further difficulty at any subsequent date.

From the multitude of papers still existing, many of them in the possession of the writer, it is apparent that Henry was a vigorous, active man, earnest and decided. He did a large business in public affairs for many years, and was always active in his own concerns. Besides his extensive farm, from which he made large quantities of butter and cheese, he was a cooper by trade, and followed the business more or less during his long life.

He died in 1759, and his two sons, Jonathan and Elisha, were his executors.

From a letter written by him March 4, 1736–7, to Samuel Thayer, is copied his autograph, given below.



Omitting the details of his will, the Inventory of his personal property, as rendered by the appraisers, is given below. These old inventories convey to us much information concerning the habits, manners and customs, mode of life and values in those ancient times.

"A True inventory of all the Goods and Chattels and Credits of Henery Mowry of Smithfield, in the County of Providence, &c., who departed this Life on the 23d day of September, A. D. 1759, and was prised by us the Subscribers the 29th day of November, 1759, as followeth : —

	£.	ss.	d.
Imprimis—To his wareing apparril.....	68	10	00
Item—To silver money Reckoned in old Tennor.....	31	04	4
Item—To bills of Credit old Tennor.....	71	16	4
Item—To one note from Elisha Sayles Due April ye 15th, 1757.....	3	14	7
Item—To one note more from Elisha Sayles Due April ye 15th, 1757.....	46	15	5
Item—To one note more from Elisha Sayles Due May ye 21st, 1757.....	138	16	0
Item—To one note more from Reuben Aldrich on Demand.....	7	13	0
Item—To one bond from Edward Mitchell.	360	05	0
Item—To 3 Puter Platters.....	18	00	0
Item—To one Dusen of puter plates.....	10	00	0

	£.	ss.	d.
Item—To 2 Basins, 3 puter pots, and old puter, all	4	14	0
Item—To six Basons and some old puter, all	10	00	0
Item—To two Brass Kittles	50	00	0
Item—To two Iron Kittles	3	10	0
Item—To two Iron Kittles	9	00	0
Item—To one Bed and Beding and cord, all	114	00	0
Item—To half a dozen of old Chears	4	10	0
Item—To one clock Reel	3	10	0
Item—To one hatchel, one Grid Iron, one frying pan, all	8	00	0
Item—To one Peace of Cloath	22	00	0
Item—To one Stone Jug, one Glass Bottel all	2	00	0
Item—To two old Books	2	00	0
Item—To one chease tub, one churn, one mortor, all	5	00	0
Item—To two old tramels one old Sickel all.	3	10	0
Item—To one old Broad ax	2	00	0
Item—To one pair of money scales and some weights	5	00	0
Item—To one old chest and small trunk and Box, all	10	00	0
Item—To horse tackling and old chains, all.	18	00	0
Item—To one Grind Stone	6	00	0
Item—To one Brindle Cow	85	00	0
Item—To one white fast Cow	60	00	0
Item—To one white fast heifer	80	00	0
Item—To one tramel, one pair of tongs, one fire shovel, all	12	00	0
Item—To Coopers tools and one broad chisel, one orger, one Rasor, all	24	10	0
Item—To one large table, one small table, all	10	00	0

	£.	ss.	d.
Item—To one old Iron Spade.....	0	10	0
Item—To one pair of Stilyards.....	8	00	0
Item—To one old Iron pot.....	1	00	0
Item—To one old pair of Sheep shears, one old frow, one Iron weg.....	2	10	0
Item—To one old bell.....	0	05	0
	1254	13	08

BENJAMIN PAIN.
RICHARD SAYLES.

"At a Town Council in Smithfield, December 10th, 1759, the within Inventory was accepted of, as a Lawfull Inventory and ordered to be Recorded.

"Test JOHN SAYLES, JUNR., *Cou'l Cler.*

"And is Recorded in Smithfield Town Council Records in the Second Book and in Page 321.

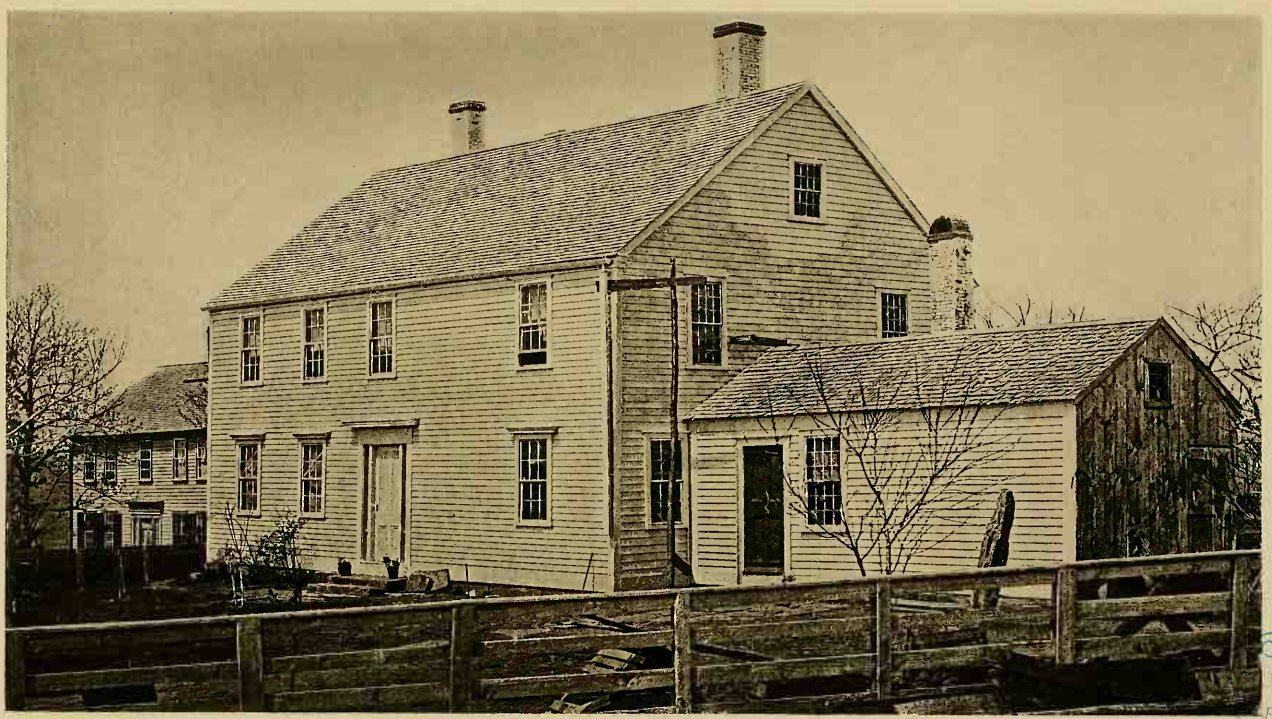
"Pr JOHN SAYLES, JUNR., *Cou'l Cler.*"

On the back of this Inventory is this record:—

"The Hole Inventory.....	1254	13	8
All the Debts taken out and Paid and Rem	1002	00	0"

The Executor's Bond was given to the Town Council, "Dated this 12th day of novembr, 1759, & in the 33d year of his Majesty's Reign." The amount of the bond was "Ten Thousand pounds."

This bond only called for the Executors to "make, or cause to be made, a True & perfect Inventory of all & singular the goods and chattels of Mr. Henry Mowry, of Smithfield, afd., Deceased, and the same so made do Exhibit, or cause to be Exhibited, before the afd Town Council on or before the 12th day of December next."



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CAPTAIN JOSEPH MOWRY HOUSE,

SMITHFIELD, R. I.

1708.

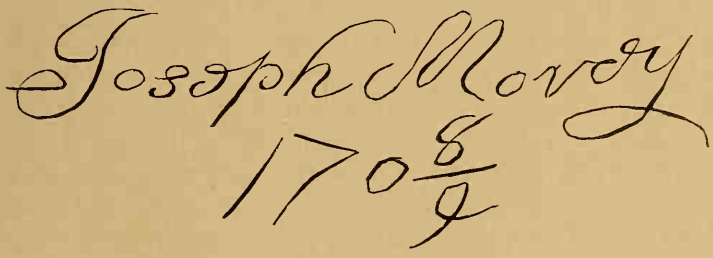
5. JOSEPH MOWRY, son of Nathaniel, called Captain Joseph, married June 3, 1695, ALICE WHIPPLE.

CHILDREN.

21. Daniel, b. Sept. 6, 1697.
22. Joseph, b. Feb. 26, 1698–9.
23. Oliver, b. Sept. 26, 1699–1700.
24. Alice, b. Jan. 6, 1712.
25. Waite, b. June 6, 1716.

This Captain Joseph lived till sometime after 1721. He was married in 1695, and in 1708 he built a fine large house, one of the largest houses in the colony, several miles southerly from his father's. The house is now standing (1878), one hundred and seventy years old. It is situated a short distance south of the Douglas Turnpike, so called, and about one mile northwesterly from the village of Stillwater. In spite of its great age, the house is even now in good condition, and is one of the oldest houses now standing in the State.

Since writing the above, a small black glass bottle has come into the possession of the writer, marked by a glazier's diamond with the following: —



The tradition is that when this house was built, a glazier came out from Providence to set the glass for the

windows, and that the owner of the house wrote his name and the date upon this bottle with the glazier's diamond. The bottle descended from Joseph to his son, Captain Daniel; from him to his son, Judge Daniel; he gave it to his daughter Mary, who married Dr. John Wilkinson; then it passed into the possession of her only child, Amey, the wife of John Harris; and from them to their daughter, Mrs. Dr. T. K. Newhall, of Providence, who presented it to the writer.

The following account of this house is copied from the *Providence Journal*, September, 1876 : —

History of an Old House.

" It is a large, square house, the front measuring more than forty feet, and having a depth nearly as great. It has two large 'front rooms,' one on either side of the 'front entry,' while the chimney formerly stood in the middle of the house, built of stone, and occupying a space nearly fifteen feet square, back of the front entry. Near the top of this chimney, upon one of the stones in its face, was chiselled the year the house was built, 1708, one hundred and sixty-eight years ago, yet the house is strong, and in a remarkably good condition at the present time. All who were living when it was built have passed away, and all their children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. The eighth and even ninth generation from the builder of that house are already upon the stage of being, yet so strongly was it built, of such strength of materials, such huge timbers were put into it, and so honestly and skilfully was the work done, that few houses built at the present day could so successfully withstand a severe gale. Indeed, standing, as it does, on the northwest side of a high hill, it

has probably withstood more gales and severer ones, than any other house now standing in this State.

"The 'summer piece,' as it used to be called, which runs across the ceiling in the middle of each of the front rooms, is a stick of white oak timber of about twelve by fourteen inches dimensions.

"From facts which appear to be unquestionable, this house is believed to have been built by Capt. Joseph Mowry, the son of Nathaniel Mowry, an Englishman, one of the original settlers of Northern Rhode Island.

"Captain Joseph was born about 1675 or 1676, just two hundred years ago. His mother was Johannah Inman, daughter of Edward Inman, who was also one of the original settlers.

"He was married June 3, 1695, to Alice Whipple. His three sons, Daniel (afterwards called 'Captain Daniel'), Joseph, and Oliver, were born prior to the building of this house. The first birth in the new house was his daughter Alice, Jan. 6, 1712. His second daughter, Waite, was born here June 6, 1716. Waite married Israel Arnold.

"Before the death of Captain Joseph, he deeded the home estate, including the house and one third of the farm, to his eldest son, Captain Daniel. The entire life of Captain Daniel, more than ninety years, was passed here, and from this house he was carried to his grave the last of May, 1787.

"After him the old house passed into the hands of his third son, 'Judge Daniel.' His oldest son, Joseph, an eminent lawyer of that day, built a house upon the western part of the farm, on the very spot where Mr. Emor Mowry now lives, and another son, 'Colonel Elisha,' built a house upon the eastern portion of the farm, now the house in which Mr. John A. Mowry lives.

"The writer of this article is a lineal descendant of 'Lawyer Joseph,' of the fourth generation.

"Some years before the death of Judge Daniel, the homestead passed into the hands of his son, 'Clark Daniel,' so called because he was Town '*Clark*' of Smithfield for thirty-five years.

"After the death of Clark Daniel, the place was owned by his son Gideon, and after his death in 1865, Thomas, brother to Gideon, took it. He died in 1872. Sometime previous to his death it passed over to his son Immer, who, a few years since, sold it to Mr. S. Keefe, its present occupant.

"Thus it will appear that for more than *one hundred and sixty years* this house was the home of one branch of the descendants of Nathaniel Mowry, during which time it never passed out of their possession. It was the home through this long period of seven families in succession, representing six generations. The first five generations lived in it over one hundred and fifty years, or an average of thirty years each. Throughout this entire period the family was one of the foremost of the town. The several men occupying and owning the house were men of sterling integrity, of excellent ability, and were well esteemed by their fellow-citizens.

"As a rule they were long-lived. Captain Joseph, the builder of the house, was the only exception. He probably died in middle life. Wolves were at that period common upon the hills of this old town, and a price was set upon their heads. Among the records of the town of Providence (for Smithfield was then a part of Providence) may be found the following entry: 'November 7, 1687. Nathaniel Mowry brought in a Wolf's head, killed by his son *Joseph*.' This lad Joseph was then not more than *twelve years of age!* Twenty-one years later he built the house in question. As there is no record of him after about 1720, it is probable that he died near that time, aged about forty-five. He was a vigorous man, earnest,

active, and energetic. He was captain of the military of that vicinity.

" His son, ' Captain Daniel,' was born in 1697, and died in 1787, aged ninety. He, too, commanded the militia company, and was a highly esteemed citizen.

" His son, ' Judge Daniel,' was born in this house in 1729, and died in 1806, aged 77. He was a man of strong character, and filled many important town and State offices for fifty years, or during nearly the whole period of his life after he reached manhood. He was for twenty years the accomplished clerk of the town, frequently represented the town in the General Assembly, was placed upon important committees during the Revolutionary War, and was for two terms a member of the Continental Congress. To this important office he declined a re-election.

" His son, ' Clark Daniel,' was the fourth head of the house. He was born here in 1750, and here died in 1839, aged 89. He, too, was for more than half a century constantly identified with the public affairs of his town and State. For thirty-five years he was town clerk, and the records of Smithfield during this long period have an elegant handwriting, and were kept with neatness, good order, and great accuracy.

" ' Clark Daniel ' was a young man when the Revolutionary War broke out, and he espoused the cause of the colonies with all the zeal of his father. It is said that he was an officer in the army, and at the close of the struggle *refused to take the pension* to which he was legally entitled. A gentleman now living, at a very advanced age, remembers when his friends urged him to receive it, but to no purpose. This gentleman says the pension and back pay to which he was entitled, and which he refused, were more in amount than all the property he was worth.

" His son Gideon was born in 1784, and died in 1865, aged 81. Like nearly all of this family, he was a good

mathematician. A copy of Pike's Arithmetic, now in the possession of the writer, obtained through Mr. Rider, of this city, bears his signature, in an elegant, bold hand, dated Dec. 18, 1806, and the book shows such evidence of careful use as to indicate an expert in the science of arithmetic.

"Thomas, brother of Gideon, and the only exception to the rule of the son succeeding to the father's estate, was born here in 1785, and died in 1872, in Providence, aged 87 years. He was the father of Miss Martha H. Mowry, M. D., of Providence, and was noted for his intellectual strength. His son Immer, also born in this house, is now living in Brooklyn, N. Y.

"Where can another house be found, with such a history of one family connected with it ?

"The house is one of the oldest now standing in the State. It is believed that there are but few, perhaps only two or three, as old, and none of them in so good a state of preservation as this. There is a tradition in the family that at the time it was built, there was but *one* other dwelling-house as large as it was in the colony.

"What stories could this old mansion tell, if it had a tongue! What quantities of New England and West India rum were drunk at 'the raising' of it! What scenes of joy and of sorrow, births, marriages, and deaths, has it witnessed! Generation after generation of this noted family have been born, have lived and have died here.

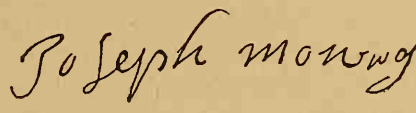
"What changes in the country have taken place since it was built. What growth, what inventions, what improvements during this one hundred and sixty-eight years. Our country then consisted of a few feeble colonies of Great Britain, with here and there a little settlement along the coast scarcely reaching anywhere fifty miles inland. The entire interior was dense forest, the hunting-grounds of the red man. The population of Rhode Island was literally but

a few hundred. But the little one has become a thousand, and the feeble one an armed band.

"This family, the descendants of this Capt. Joseph Mowry, now number several thousands, and the country, for a century independent of the mother-land, now stretches away, not merely from the Lakes to the Gulf, but from the Atlantic to the Pacific, and embraces under its starry flag a happy, thrifty, enterprising, and enlightened people, self-governing, and numbering more than forty millions. Let Americans render all honor and respect to the hardy pioneers who first settled these shores and subdued these wilds, thus laying the foundations of a great and glorious republic."

Here Captain Joseph lived and died, and was buried in the family burial-lot upon the farm, where many of his descendants from the several generations since his time now sleep. But little is known of his character more than a few meagre facts, which, however, are sufficient to show that he was a man of strong purpose, great determination, an inflexible will, and was honored and respected by his fellow-citizens.

A fac-simile of his autograph, taken from a document dated 1720, is given below.



WILL OF CAPT. JOSEPH MOWRY.

"I, Joseph Mowry, of Smithfield, in the County of providence, in the Colony of Rhodeisland and providence plantations in New England, yeoman, Being Sick and weak in body, but perfect mind and memory, thanks be Given to God for the Same, and Calling to mind the mortality of

my body and knowing it appointed for all men once to Die, Do make and ordain this my Last will and testament: that is to Say, princippally and first of all, I Give and Recommend my Soul into the hands of almighty God that Gave it, and my body I Commit to the Earth to be Decently buried according to the Descression of my Executor hereafter named: and as Touching all Such worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to Bless me in this Life: I Bequeath and Dispose of the Same in the following manner and form —

"*Imprimis* — I give and Bequeath to my Two Sons, namely Daniel Mowry and Oliver Mowry: all my Lands Lying at a place Commonly Called passcogue within the Town Ship of Glocester in the County aforesaid to be Equally Divided between them. I also Give to them my above mentioned Two Sons my half purchass Right in Common on the west side of the line called the Seven mile line to be Equally Divided between them: it being part of the original Right of Edward Inman. To have and to hold the above mentioned land and Commonage as is above Expressed to them the said Daniel Mowry and Oliver Mowry and to their heirs and assigns forever.

"2d. I Give and Bequeath to my son Oliver Mowry and to his heirs and assigns forever: that parcel or Tract of land upland and meadow which I purchased of Samuel Steere, lying in Smithfield abovesaid and lyeth at a place Called Ridge Hill.

"3d. I give and bequeath to my son Joseph Mowry my homestead place or farm on which I now Dwell scituate lying and being within the Township of Smithfield aforesaid with all the apurtenances thereunto belonging. Item. I give and bequeath to my Said Son Joseph Mowry my farm which lyeth adjoining to the now Dwelling place of John Sayles, in Smithfield aforesaid, it being the farm on which my Honored father Mr. Nathaniel Mowry Deceased

last Dwelt, Sd farm Containing one-hundred and ten acres with all the appurtenances thereunto belonging. Item. I give and bequeath to my said son Joseph Mowry my tract of land lying at a place called Shoggonogue within the Town Ship of Glocester in the County above said with all the appurtenances thereunto belonging. *Item.* I Give and Bequeath to my son Joseph Mowry my farm lying in the Township of Wood Stock ine the County of Worcester, in the province of the Massachusetts Bay, the which farm I purchased of Samuel Wilson; with all the appurtenances thereunto belonging. *Item.* I Give and bequeath to my son Joseph Mowry Two pieces of land which I purchased of francis whitmore, one piece of sd land lyeth in Glocester aforesaid Containing Twenty-acres; the other piece of said land lyeth in Killingsly in the County of Windham in the Colony of Connecticut containing ninety Eight acres; with all the appurtenances thereunto belonging.

"*Item.* I give and bequeath to my son Joseph Mowry that Tract of land I purchased of Benjamin Jacobs: the which land lyeth in said Killingly north parish in the Colony of Connecticut aforesaid.

"*Item.* I Give and bequeath to my son Joseph Mowry all my part of the original Right of Benjamin Smith Deceased, which I purchased of Stephen Harding lying on the west side of the line Called the Seven mile line in the County of providence aforesaid.

"*Item.* I Give and bequeath to my son Joseph mowry all my Right in the Common or undivided land on the East Side of the Said Seven mile line in the county of providence aforesaid, which I purchased of the said Stephen Harding. To have and to hold the above mentioned lands and commonage to him my Said Joseph Mowry and to his heirs and assigns forever.

"4ly. I Give and bequeath to my Son Daniel Mowry the sum of one Thousand three hundred and Twenty Eight

pounds Good and Lawfull bills of publick Credit old tenor to be paid to him out of my Estate by my Executor hereafter named.

" 5ly. I give and bequeath to my Son Oliver Mowry the Sum of one Thousand four hundred and Eighty Six pounds in Good and Lawfull Bills of publick Credit old tenor to be paid to him out of my Estate by my Executor hereafter named.

" 6ly. I Give and bequeath to my Daughter Alce Mowry the Sum of one thousand and five hundred pound in Good and Lawfull Bills of publick Credit old tenor to be paid to her out of my Estate by my Executor hereafter named.

" 7th. I give and Bequeath to my Daughter Wait Arnold the Sum of one thousand and five hundred pounds in good and lawfull bills of publick Credit old tenor to be paid to her out of my Estate by my Executor hereafter named.

" 8th. I Give and Bequeath all my Silver money to my above named five Children to be Equally Divided Between them and my will is that my son Daniel Mowry shall have the use of that piece of Bogg meadow lying on this East Side of the little River that Runs through my homestead farm and that lyeth above the dam so far up: as that wee Call the Island, and to have it the term of seven years: the Reason why my Son Daniel mowry and my Son oliver mowry is not made Equall with their Sisters in the bills of publick credit before mentioned is because I have given them part before this bequest which makes them equal with their Sisters.

" 9ly. I Give and bequeath to my Son Joseph Mowry whom I Likewise Constitute make and ordain Sole Executor of this my last will and testament, my Two negroes, and all my household Goods and moveables Ready money and all moneys Due to me (Except my Silver money as is above Expresst) and all other things to me belonging which I might Justly Claim in whose hands Custody or

possession they be, he paying the Legacies as is above Expressed: and my will is that my Son Joseph Mowry shall Take the care of his mother, my loving wife Alce Mowry During her natural life providing all things necessary and Comfortable for her in her old age: if She please to abide with him, but should She See Cause to Remove from him then he my Executor Shall pay to her the Sum of three hundred pounds in Good and lawful Bills of publick Credit old tenor, and my will further is that my four Children, namely Daniel Mowry, Oliver Mowry, Alce Mowry, Wait Arnold Shall be helpful and assisting to their Brother my Executor in Geathering in the Debts and to bear Equal Charge with him in the Same and if it so hapen that there Should be any person or persons now Indebted to me by Bonds Bills or notes and prove not able to pay, then all and of my above named Children shall bear an Equall part of the Loss. And I Do hereby utterly Disallow, Revoke & Disanull all and Every other and former Testaments wills and Legacies, Bequests, and Executors by me in any ways before this time named, willed or bequeathed Ratifying and Conforming this and no other to be my last will and Testament. In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seal this ninteenth Day of May in the ninteenth year of his majesties Reign George the Second King of Great Britain &c. Annoque Domini 1746.

JOSEPH MOWRY. {L. S.}

"Signed, Sealed, published, pronounced and Declared by the Said Joseph Mowry, as his Last will and Testament, in the presence of us the Subscribers:

WILLIAM BAETS.
ANANIAS MOWRY.
THOS. SAYLES."

"A True *Inventory* of all and Singular the goods and Chattels of Capt. Joseph Mowry, Late of Smithfield, Deceased, Aprized at said Smithfield, the 8th and 10th of November, 1764, by Thomas Steere and Daniel Smith, Esq., as Followeth: —

	£.	s.	d.	qr.
Imprimis—His Wearing Apparel	15	13	7	3
Item in Cash	7	1	1	2
Item—Note of Hand from Anthony Steere	2	4	6	3
Item—A Note from William Sevier for	1	0	0	0
Item—A ditto from Eldad Hunter for	0	15	0	0
Item—A ditto from Jos. Boudish for	1	0	0	0
Item—A ditto from Adam Comstock for one pound fourteen Shillings Recd. 4-3¼ Remains due	1	9	8	3
Item—A Ditto From Dan'l Vaughn for	1	0	0	0
Item—A ditto from Obadiah Brown, Jr. for	2	5	0	0
Item—A ditto from Edward Hore for	0	17	1	3
Item—A Ditto from Amos Stafford for	0	1	8	2
Item—A Ditto from Sam'l Cook, Remains due.	0	12	0	0
Item—A ditto from Thos. Sayles for	0	16	7	0
Item—A ditto from John Melavory for	0	17	1	3
Item—A ditto from Thos. Stone for	1	5	8	2
Item—A ditto from Zeph. Mowry	0	12	10	1
Item—A ditto from Benj. Smith for	0	17	1	3
Item—A ditto from Ephraim Kittle	1	5	8	2
Item—A ditto from Nath'l Andrews for	0	13	6	2
Item—A ditto from Richard Smith for	0	16	11	2
Item—A ditto from James Leonard for	0	5	3	1
Item—A ditto from Peleg Dexter for	1	1	10	1
Item—A ditto from Jonathan Paddelford for	0	13	8	3
Item—A ditto from Jeffrey Whelock for	0	8	6	3
Item—A ditto from Peleg Dexter		10	8	3
Item—A ditto from John Manchester	1	1	5	0
Item—A ditto from Elisha Hopkins	2	2	10	1
Item—A ditto from Elijah Hawkins	0	8	6	3
Item—A ditto from Richard Mathewson	0	17	1	3
Item—A ditto from ditto for	0	17	1	3
Item—A ditto from John Manchester for	0	17	1	3
Item—A ditto from Thos. Sayles for	0	2	8	0
Item—A ditto from John Woodward for	0	2	6	3

	£.	s.	d.	qr.
Item—To three Cows, all at	13	14	3	1
Item—To one mare at	6	0	0	0
Item—To two Calves a	2	8	0	0
Item—To Five Swine a	3	17	1	3
Item—To Indian Corn	2	2	10	1
Item—To about two thousand Hhd. and Barril Staves	2	11	4	0
Item—To ten old barrils	0	11	1	3
Item—To pork and hogs fat	1	8	4	0
Item—To Sope and Tub 0-5s. 2d.—To meat barrils & other old Casks	0	10	4	0
Item—To about ten Bushels of potatoes	0	8	6	3
Item—To about 180 lbs. Butter a	5	7	11	3
Item—To a quantity of Cheese	1	4	10	1
Item—To about 48wt. Honey	1	8	9	2
Item—To one feather bed and furniture	9	10	3	1
Item—To one ditto and ditto	6	6	10	0
Item—To one bed Ticking and feather £3 & 3 pillow cases	3	6	10	0
Item—To one flock bed and furniture	2	13	1	2
Item—To one ditto and ditto	1	19	5	1
Item—To plough Irons a 6s. To old Iron a 10 3 1	0	16	3	1
Item—To 12 Chairs a	1	3	1	3
Item—To two old Wheels 6s. To one pair Cotton Cords 5s	0	11	0	0
Item—To one wooling wheel 6s. 10d. and old Clock Real 1s. 9d	0	8	7	0
Item—To one small ovel table & 2 Square dittos	1	4	0	0
Item—To two white Chests & one chest of Drawers	1	13	5	0
Item—To one small Desk	0	8	6	3
Item—To one Gun. To one Bullet mould & Shot ditto	1	8	3	1
Item—To one pistol Barril and Brass Guard	0	4	3	2
Item—To two powder horns Shott Bag some Shott and Lead	0	3	0	0
Item—To Pewter of Sundry sorts all at	2	17	5	0
Item—To Coffe pot funnel and Pepper Case all.	0	3	5	0
Item—To Earthen Ware, Glass bottles, Drinking Glasses and Salt Cellar	0	13	7	0
Item—To Tea kittle, Tea Cups, &c	0	9	5	0

	£.	s.	d.	qr.
Item—To Two punch Bowls and Mustard pot..	0	2	4	0
Item—To one marking Iron, one Brass and 1 Iron Candlestick	0	3	0	0
Item—To one Saddle and Bridle at	1	16	0	0
Item—To one pear of Saddle Bags	0	8	6	3
Item—To one Brass Skillet and ditto kittles a..	0	18	0	0
Item—To one warming pan	0	5	2	0
Item—To four Iron pots, one Iron Kittle & bason	0	17	4	0
Item—To gridiron, flesh fork & flesh hooks all..	0	3	0	0
Item—To 1 pear Sheep Shears a Reapers Cickel.	0	3	8	0
Item—To Beatle and Wedges	0	2	7	0
Item—To three augurs and Gimblet and Chisel and Drawing Knife and adds and one pear Nippers all a	—	10	6	0
Item—To a pear of old hand Irons, three Trammels and Crain hooks	0	12	10	1
Item—To Tongs Shovel melting Ladle and burning Iron	0	6	10	1
Item—To one pear of pinchers and three hammers all	0	5	2	0
Item—An Iron Barr	0	9	5	0
Item—To one Brass Scimmer and frying pan ..	0	6	0	0
Item—To three old Scythes and Tackling	0	4	9	0
Item—To 4 old axes a 12s two old hoes a 4s 4d.	0	16	4	0
Item—To 3 pithing forks & 3 Rakes all	0	7	8	3
Item—To old Casks Chests and other Lumber..	0	2	7	0
Item—To one tobacco Case $10\frac{1}{4}$ to Sundry Untensils For Drawing Teeth 11s $1\frac{2}{4}$ all	0	12	0	0
Item—To 7 yds fustian a 18s and a remnant of Sattin 10s $3\frac{1}{4}$	1	8	3	1
Item—To two meal bags and one Sheet	0	8	6	3
Item—To Woll 41 wt	2	16	2	6
Item—To two Cheese fats 2 Morters 2 dishes & ten trenches, all	0	5	2	0
Item—To one pail 1 Scive & one Slate all	0	2	5	1
Item—To one Corn Basket and flax Seed Sieve.	0	3	10	1
Item—To 6 Silver Spoons	3	1	8	2
Item—To 1 Sword	0	5	1	3

THOMAS STEERE.
DANIEL SMITH."

7. SARAH MOWRY, daughter of Nathaniel; married RICHARD PHILLIPS.

Nothing is found concerning their family.

8. MARY MOWRY, daughter of Nathaniel; married JOHN ARNOLD, and died Jan. 27, 1742, aged 67.

CHILDREN.

William, b. Oct. 9, 1695; d. Aug. 2, 1766.
John, b. May 29, 1697; d. 1727.
Israel.
Mercy, b. October, 1701; m. —— Lapham, and removed to Dartmouth.
Daniel, d. July 30, 1773.
Anthony, b. Jan. 12, 1704; m. Susanna Fisk, and removed to the State of New York.
Seth, b. July 26, 1706; d. 1801.
Anna.
Susannah.
Abigail.

9. JOHANNAH MOWRY, daughter of Nathaniel; married WALTER R. PHETTEPLACE.

Job.

She was called "Hannah" in her father's will. It appears to have been the custom to call "Hannah" as a sort of abbreviation of "Johannah." The latter name is probably the same as is now spelled "Joanna."

10. PATIENCE MOWRY, daughter of Nathaniel; married JOSEPH SMITH.

Nothing known of their family.

11. MARCY MOWRY, daughter of Nathaniel; married EDWARD SMITH.

Nothing further known of them.

12. EXPERIENCE MOWRY, daughter of Nathaniel; married JOHN MALAVERY.

Nothing further known of them.

CHAPTER III.

THE THIRD GENERATION.

13. JOHN MOWRY, son of John and Elizabeth, born about 1700 ; married ANNA APPLEBY.

CHILD.

26. John.

14. MARY MOWRY, daughter of Henry, born Sept. 28, 1702 ; married March 6, 1727, JONATHAN SPRAGUE.

CHILDREN.

Bethiah, b. July 5, 1729.
Mary, b. Sept, 13, 1733.
Abraham, b. Aug. 14, 1737.
Zilpha, b. April 28, 1739.
Jonathan, b. Dec. 25, 1742.
Gideon, b. July 15, 1747.

15. URIAH MOWRY, son of Henry, born Aug. 15, 1705 ; married[1] URANIA ——.

CHILDREN.

27. Martha, b. April 1, 1726.
28. Nathan, b. June 10, 1729.
29. Stephen, b. Dec. 13, 1731.
30. Philip, b. Feb. 17, 1733.

31. Gideon, b. July 18, 1736.
32. Wanton, born Aug. 7, 1739.
33. Jonathan, b. March 10, 1741–2.
34. Mary, b. Oct. 30, 1745.
35. Elizabeth, b. Oct. 30, 1748.

Perhaps another one named Henry, and there must have been others, for it is well known that Jonathan was the seventh son. He had an extensive reputation as a doctor, especially for "King's Evil," or "Scrofula."

Uriah's will was probated Feb. 7, 1792; Stephen and Jonathan were executors.

Married[2] Nov. 28, 1773, HANNAH ARNOLD, daughter of Job Whipple. She was the widow of William Arnold, having been *his* fourth wife, and having been married three times before she married Uriah. Her second husband was —— Eddy.

16. JONATHAN MOWRY, son of Henry, born June 1, 1708; married March 13, 1736, ELIZABETH SAYLES.

36. Mary, d. Sept. 13, 1742.

17. JEREMIAH MOWRY, son of Henry, born Sept. 7, 1711 (perhaps 1710); married Feb. 27, 1734–5, ALICE MOWRY. She is spoken of in the will of her son Nathaniel as Alice Ballou. She married Peter Ballou. *They* had no children.

37. Nathaniel, b. Aug. 3, 1737.

18. SARAH MOWRY, daughter of Henry, born April 5, 1717; married Feb. 27, 1734–5, ~~JOHN~~ Ishmael WILKINSON.

CHILDREN.

Stephen.
Anne.

19. ELISHA MOWRY, son of Henry, married Oct. 2, 1743, PATIENCE MAN. Lived on the homestead farm on Sayles's Hill. Elisha died intestate. His son Israel, of Mendon, Mass., was administrator.

CHILDREN.

38. Israel.
39. Waite (*see* 58).
40. Uriah.
41. Esek, died young.
42. Abiel, b. Sept. 8, 1756.
43. Amasa.
44. Sarah.
45. Esek.
46. Henry.
47. Jeremiah.
48. Patience.

20. PHEBE MOWRY, daughter of Henry; married April 26, 1744, ELISHA ARNOLD, son of William, who was the son of John and Mary Mowry Arnold.

CHILDREN.

Rufus, b. Feb. 5, 1745; d. July 17, 1813.
Amey, b. Monday, May 20, 1751.
Ezekiel, b. Oct. 23, 1753; d. May 7, 1817.
Alsie, b. July 9, 1757.
Mary, b. Jan. 1, 1763.

21. DANIEL MOWRY, son of Captain Joseph (called "Captain Daniel" and "Daniel 1st"), born Sept. 6, 1697; married MARY STEERE, daughter of Thomas and Catherine Steere; died May 27 (28?), 1787, aged nearly 90. Mary died Jan. 2, 1776, in her seventy-fifth year.

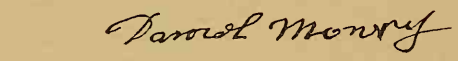
CHILDREN.

49. Joseph, b. Nov. 10, 1723.
50. Thomas, b. May 27, 1726.

51. Daniel, b. Aug. 17, 1729.
52. Elisha, b. March 28, 1735.
53. Mary, b. Sept. 7, 1737.
54. Alice, b. Dec. 27, 1739; d. Dec. 4, 1742.

The record of this family I found in a very old Bible belonging to Dr. Samuel Mowry, of Providence.

This Captain Daniel was a prominent man in his time. He was born in the Joseph house, and having lived in it his long life of ninety years, he died there, and was laid with his father in the family burial-ground. A fac-simile of his autograph is given below, taken from a very ancient-looking document, without date:—



Two of his sons, "Judge Daniel" and "Colonel Elisha," took a prominent part in town and state affairs during the long period comprised in the French and Indian War, the Revolutionary War, and the intervening years.

"Lawyer Joseph," his oldest son, was one of the prominent men of his day, from about 1750 to the time of his death, in 1764, aged 41.

These three brothers passed their lives on the homestead, with the exception of a few years that Judge Daniel lived away, in the latter part of his life.

Judge Daniel lived in the Captain Joseph house. Colonel Elisha built a house now standing, and lately the residence of John A. Mowry, Esq., a little way east of the old house which Lawyer Joseph built upon the western part of the farm, at the place where Emor H. Mowry, Esq., now lives.

Will of Capt. Daniel Mowry.

"I, Daniel Mowry, of Smithfield, in the County of Providence, In the State of Rhode Island, &c., yeoman, Being at this time in a Reasonable State of health and of a disposing mind and Memory, But being far advanced in years and often Calling unto mind the mortality of my Body, Do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament that is to say, I recommend my Soul into the hand of God that gave it, And my Body to the Earth, &c. And as Touching Such Worldly Estate it hath pleased God to bless me with in this Life, I give Devise, and Dispose of the same in the Following manner.

"Imprimis. I give and Devise unto my Grandson Daniel Mowry the Remainder of my Homestead Whereon he and I now dwell which I have not already disposed of by deed to my Son Daniel; and is bounded Northwardly on my said son Daniel's land on which he now dwells, and on my Grandson, Job Mowry's land, Westerly on James Appleby's land, Southerly on land owned by me and my Son Elisha; Easterly on Land owned by the Widow Abigail Smith Together with all the appurtenances thereunto belonging, to be and remain unto him my said Grandson and to his Heirs and Assigns forever.

"Item. — I give and devise unto my son Elisha Mowry all the land I own bounded on the southward of the Homestead aforesaid and westerly on land owned by Job Aldrich and by my said son Elisha; Southwardly on the river, and eastwardly on Daniel Smith's land, and on the highway. It being part of the same tract of land on which my said son Elisha now dwells and hath a deed or deeds of part thereof; and the remainder with all the appurtenances thereunto belonging to me I give unto him, his heirs and assigns forever.

"Also I give unto my son Elisha a small piece of

meadow on the west side of the river that runs out of my brother Joseph's meadow and adjoining to my other meadow there ; on the East side of said river called Waterman's meadow which I gave unto my my son Daniel and unto my aforesaid Grandson Daniel to be equally between them and remain to them their heirs and assigns forever ; also I give a small piece of upland adjoining unto the Northerly side of the last mentioned piece of meadow unto my said son Daniel to him his heirs and Assigns forever.

"Item. — I give unto my two sons Daniel and Elisha a piece of Pine Land Situated in said Smithfield Northwardly from Nipsachuck seader swamp containing about twenty-eight acres and Three Lots lying on the Flatts above Way Boset Bridge at Providence together with all my right of undivided land to be equally divided between them, and remain to them, their heirs and Assigns forever.

"Item. — I give and devise unto my Daughter Mary Smith a tract of Land situate in Glocester in the County aforesaid it being the same tract of land on which she my said daughter and her husband Martin Smith now dwell, Containing by estimation, one hundred and sixty acres, together with all the appurtenances thereunto belonging (that belonged to me) to be and remain to her, and the lawful lawfull heirs born of her body forever.

"Item. — I give my Plate unto my Three Children, Viz. — Daniel, Elisha, and Mary : also I give unto my said Daughter Mary one fourth part of the remainder of my Personal Estate after my just debts are paid and the remainder I give unto my Sd Two sons to be equally divided between them.

"And I do hereby constitute and appoint my Sd two sons Daniel and Elisha Executors of this my said will, and I do hereby revoke and disanull all and every other former testaments, wills, legacies, bequeaths, and Executors by me in any ways before named willed and bequeathed ratifying

and confirming this and no other to be my last will and testament. — In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal, the first day of July, A. D. one thousand seven-hundred and eighty.

DANIEL MOWRY. {L.S.}

"Signed sealed and delivered by the said Daniel Mowry to be his last will and and Testament in the presence of us.

Olive Rogers.
Rachel Steere.
James Rogers.
Thomas Steere."

"In Town Council, held in Smithfield, in the County of Providence, &c., by agreement, on the 2d day of July, A. D. 1787, —

"The last will and Testament of Daniel Mowry of Smithfield in this county of Providence Esq Deceased, was laid on the bord before this Council by Danl Mowry and Elisha Mowry Jr Executors, who accepted of being Executors as they were appointed, and desired that said will might be proved by this council and Olive Rogers and Rachel Steere two of the witnesses unto said will, on solemn engagement declared that they saw Daniel the Testator sign and seal said will and did witness the same."

22. JOSEPH MOWRY, called "Candle Haired Joseph," son of Captain Joseph, born Feb. 26, 1698–9; married Margery Mowry, daughter of John and Margery (Whipple) Mowry, his second cousin.

CHILDREN.

55. Alice, or Alse, b. Nov. 5, 1738.
56. Joseph (called "Bachelor Joe"), b. April 24, 1740.

57. Jeremiah, b. March 24, 1742.
58. John, b. Dec. 4, 1743.
59. Amey, b. Dec. 4, 1746.
60. Eleazer, b. Sept. 5, 1750.

23. OLIVER MOWRY, son of Captain Joseph, born Sept. 26, 1699 (1700 ?); married Dec. 18, 1727, Dorcas Whipple. He died March 2, 1756.

CHILDREN.

61. Job.
62. James.
63. Silence, m. —— Cook.
64. Abigail, m. —— Saunders.
65. Anne, m. —— Hidden.
66. Marcy, I think, m. a Staples, and was mother of Nathan Staples.

Will of Oliver Mowry (son of Joseph).

"I, Oliver Mowry of Smithfield, in the County of Providence in the Colony of Rhoad Island In New England being alling of Bodely health but of parfect mind and memory Thanks be to god for the same, and calling to mind that it is appointed for all men to Die, Do make and ordain this my Last will and Testament that is to Say princepely and first of all I give and Recommend my Soul unto god that gave it and my body to the Earth to be buried in a Decent manner at the Decration of my Executrix hereafter named; and as touching Such worley Estate wharwith it hath pleased god to Bless me with all I give and Bequeath and Dispose of in the following manner.

"*Imprimis.* I give and bequeath to my Son Job mowry my homestid farm on which I dwell Containing by estimation one hundred and twenty acres. I also give to my Said Son Job mowry my pece of Medow Called Ridg

Hill in said Smithfield to him and his Heirs, Executors Administrators and Assigns forever. *Item.* I give and bequeath to my Son James mowry all the Land that my honered father gave me by his Last will and Testament to him and his Heirs Executors Administrators and assigns forever. *Item.* I give and bequeath to my three Eldest Daughters namely Silons Cook and Abigail Sanders and Anne Hidden one hundred and fifty pounds apiece to be paid them in one years time after my Death by my Executrix hereafter named out of my estate in Bills of cradet old tenor. *Itam.* I give and bequeath to my youngest Daughter Marcy mowry two hundred and fifty pounds in Bills as above said when she my said Daughter Marcy attains to the age of Eighteen years, to be paid her by my Executrix out of my Estate and my will further is that if my Son Job mowry dies before he attains to the age of twenty one years that then my son James Mowry Should have all the Land that I have given his brother Job Mowry on the same conditions only Excepting what his brother Jobe was to pay his brother James and then the Land that I have given my son James is to be Equally devided Between all my children and if my two Sons attains to the age of twenty one years then my son Job shall pay his brother James mowry five hundred pounds in Bills as above said and if my Daughter Marey mowry Dies before She attains to the age of Eighteen years then that part or portion that is given her shall be Equally Devided between my surviveing Daughters, and in case my son James dies before he attains the age of twenty one years then what I have given him Shall be Equally devided between all my Children. *Item.* I give and bequeath to my Granson that lives with me Called Nathan Stapels one hundred and ninety pounds of good Bills of publick Cradet and two good Suts of apparil when he attains to the age of twenty one years to be paid him by my Executrix out of my Es-

tate. *Item.* I give and bequeath to my Loving wife Dorcas mowry Whome I make Sole Executrix of this my Last will and Testament three hundred pounds good bills of publick Cradet old tenor, and the one half, of all my household goods fre and clear forever and She my Said wife to have the Improvement and profets of my homestid farm till my son Job Mowry attains the age of twenty one years and then to Resign up the farm to my son Job mowry and my said wife to have her Choyse of the Best Room in my now Dwelling house to Live in so long as She Remains my widow and in case she marries again then to Resign up all her privileges in the house aforesaid to my Son Job Mowry and he to pay his mother for the privileges she had in the house one hundred pounds in bills as above said in one years time after She marries. *Lastly.* I give and Bequeath all the Rest of my estate that is not before mentioned to be equally Devided between all my children Rattefying and confirming this to be my Last will and Testament, in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal the fift day of December in the twenty-ninth year of his majestes Raign George the Second King of great Britain and in the year of our Lord on thousand seven hundred and fifty five.

OLIVER MOWREY. {L.S.}

"Signed, Sealed, published, pronounced and declared by the Said Oliver mowry to be his Last will and Testament in the presents of us the Subscribers.

EDWARD MITCHELL.
WILLIAM FORD.
PETER ALDRICH."

24. ALICE MOWRY, daughter of Capt. Joseph, born Jan. 6, 1712.

Did she marry Jeremiah (17) ?

25. WAITE MOWRY, daughter of Captain Joseph, born June 6, 1716; married ISRAEL ARNOLD. They lived at Glocester, afterwards Burrillville.

CHILDREN.

William?
Israel.
Elisha.
Benedict.
Oliver, d. Oct. 9, 1770.
Lucy, m. Samuel Comstock.
Martha, m. Ezekiel Comstock.
Mary, m. [1]Peter Taft; [2]Darius Daniels.
Mercy, m. Aaron Taft.

CHAPTER IV.

THE FOURTH GENERATION.

26. JOHN MOWRY, son of John and Anna; married Lois Potter, daughter of John and Elizabeth Potter.

CHILDREN.

67. Anna, b. Nov. 15, 1759.
68. Earle, b. April 25, 1762.
69. Ralph, b. May 28, 1765.
70. Susanna, b. Dec. 4, 1768.
71. Richard, b. June 12, 1771.
72. John, b. May 26, 1773.
73. George, b. Sept. 24, 1776.
74. William, b. July 27, 1779.
75. James, b. July 26, 1782.

27. MARTHA MOWRY, daughter of Uriah, born April 1, 1726; married Preserved Harris.

I have no record of their children at hand.

29. STEPHEN MOWRY, son of Uriah, born Dec. 13, 1731; married May 20, 1762, Amey Cook.

CHILDREN.

76. Huldah, b. Oct. 16, 1762.
77. Charlotte, b. Oct. 7, 1763.

78. Aaron, b. March 3, 1765.
79. Wanton, b. May 18, 1767.
80. Mary, b. April 2, 1770.
81. Uranah, b. Aug. 26, 1772.
82. Benedict, b. Sept. 23, 1777.
83. Amasa, b. April 7, 1779.
84. Stephen, b. Sept. 7, 1781.
85. Charles, b. Dec. 7, 1783.

30. PHILIP MOWRY, son of Uriah, called "Potash Philip," born Feb. 17, 1733; married —— PAINE, daughter of Benjamin Paine. Philip owned the farm lately known as the Smithfield Town Farm. He moved to Cazenovia, N. Y.

31. GIDEON MOWRY, son of Uriah, born July 18, 1736; married [1] —— ——.

CHILDREN.

86. David.
87. Jesse.
88. Smith.
89. Gideon.
90. Uriah.
91. Thankful.
92. Dorcas, and three others.

Married [2] —— ——.

CHILD.

96. Robert.

32. WANTON MOWRY, son of Uriah, born Aug. 7, 1739; married DINAH, daughter of Benjamin Harris.

CHILDREN.

97. Martha.

98. Susanna.
99. Olive.

33. JONATHAN MOWRY, seventh son of Uriah, called "Doctor Jonathan," born March 10, 1741-2; died March 27, 1814, aged 72. He married DEBORAH WING, daughter of Jabez and Mary Wing, of Smithfield, R. I. She was born May 27, 1750; died July 13, 1825, aged 75.

CHILDREN.

100. Rebecca, b. Feb. 9, 1770.
101. Caleb, b. March 5, 1771.
102. Anna, b. Feb. 4, 1773.
103. Robert, b. Dec. 2, 1774.
104. Martha, b. June 7, 1777; d. Sept. 21, 1778.
105. Abigail, b. March 30, 1780.
106. Dorcas, b. May 6, 1782.
107. Urania, b. June 21, 1785.
108. Peleg, b. Feb. 2, 1788; not married.
109. Deborah, b. Oct. 6, 1789.

Dr. Jonathan was a noted man in his neighborhood. He used to speak in the Friends' meeting. His family of ten children nearly all lived to have large families of their own. His mother Urania was a woman of remarkable vigor of mind. It is related of her that she spun and wove wedding suits for all her seven sons, and bed-ticking for all their beds.

Jonathan was the seventh. He did not want to be married in "homespun." Still, he did not wish to offend his mother. But he went to Providence and bought silk velvet for vest and breeches (designing to wear the homespun *coat*), and silk and worsted stockings, of yellow and brown.

These he brought home and put them away. On the morning of his wedding-day, he put on his suit, the homespun coat, the velvet vest (or waistcoat) and breeches, and the silk and worsted stockings, and came down to show them to his mother. His mother looked at him, surveying him from head to foot, and exclaimed, "Well, Jonathan, thy clothes look very grand, but thou art the same old stick yet."

His wife Deborah was a preacher in the Friends' Society also. An account of her sickness and death has been preserved and is given below.

"*Some account of our valuable friend, Deborah Mowry, who departed this life after a short but distressing illness, the 13th of 7th month, 1825, in the seventy-sixth year of her age.*

"*Seventh of the month*, she said to a friend who was with her, 'Things never looked so pleasant to me as they have for three weeks past, both outwardly and inwardly. For many years I have been endeavoring to obtain the crown, and I hope I have at length obtained it.'

"*Ninth*, she thus expressed herself to one of her daughters: 'The Lord has been good to me through all my days. He has preserved me through many trials, and I hope he will not forsake me in time of distress.' Then she offered the following supplication: 'O Lord, grant me patience and resignation, I pray thee. Not my will but thine be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give me this day my daily bread, and lead me not into temptation; the light of thy countenance was never more precious than now on a sick bed.' Then she said, 'I think I never was more favored than I have been of late; I don't remember to have had a more favored meeting than the last I at-

tended.' One of her neighbors coming in to assist in waiting on her through the night, she affectionately embraced her, then supplicated thus: 'There was silence in heaven for the space of half an hour; the vocal tribute of "Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty; just and true are all thy ways, thou King of Saints," was suspended. Men and angels flew before thee. Oh, thy goodness! thy goodness! Did the world know thy goodness, there would thousands of thousands flow unto thee. Then righteousness would cover the earth as waters do the sea!'

"*Seventh day morning*, on taking leave of her, she said, 'O! how I love thee.' Her physician coming in, she asked him if he had done all he could for her. He replied that he had. 'I believe thou hast, and I am satisfied.' Then she bid him farewell, saying, 'I think I shall never see thy face more in this world, but hope we shall meet in a better. I want thou should seek the "one thing needful," as Mary did; that is, to choose the better part. It is a pearl of great price, worth more than ten thousand worlds besides.' *In the afternoon* she spoke to her beloved son; laying her hand upon his head, she said, 'I am about to leave thee; and I love thee, my son. Thou hast been good to me; we have lived happily together, and if thou dost follow on as thou hast begun, the Lord will bless thee forever. Since I have been a widow, I have been a widow indeed; and if thou hast anything to accuse me of, please to express it.' He replied, 'Not anything.' *In the evening*, to a friend that called to see her, she said, 'This day has been the most trying one of my life, and if it had pleased the Lord for it to have been my last, it would have been my happiest.'

"*Eleventh*, speaking to her children, she said, 'I hope my death will be the cause of sanctifying and keeping you upon he sure rock of your soul's salvation.' Then turning to others in the room, she said, 'I hope it will be to you

all,— give not sleep to your eyes nor slumber to your eyelids, until you know of being sanctified.' Soon after she said, 'My distress is great; yes, very great. Why am I continued here?' One of her daughters replied, 'Perhaps it is for our refinement.' She answered, 'May you be purified; may you be like gold seven times purified: the pure gold that will bear hammering, how little there is of it.'

"*Twelfth*, her bodily distress continued great, but her intellect clear. To a friend who came to see her she said, 'I am almost worn out; dost thou think I shall continue through the day?' Another friend who came to spend the day, said, 'It is encouraging to be with thee, to witness thy great patience and entire resignation.' She replied, 'Am I patient? Do I bear my sufferings with patience? I was afraid I did not.' The friend said, 'Thou dost, and I am comforted in believing thou hast borne an honest, faithful testimony to the truth.' She replied, 'I have endeavored through strength to fill up my small measure.' Soon after she requested the same friend to read to her the account, in Job Scott's Journal, of his last sickness, sufferings, and death; which being done, appeared to be a comfort in her mind. Then, on taking a little cold water, she said, 'How I long to be drinking at the pure fountain of living water.' To the same friend, when taking leave of her, she observed, after embracing her, 'Thy company has been pleasant; it has tended to mitigate my pain.' One of her granddaughters coming in, she took her by the hand and said, 'Precious blossom, how many precious blossoms I have to leave behind me! May the Lord bless them.' Then she said, 'Oh, heavenly father, be pleased to bring the dear little creatures to an acquaintance with thee.'

"*In the evening* she said to a neighbor who came to see her, 'I have no wish to live; no, not if I could be restored to perfect health.' A friend present asked her if

she wished her to stay through the night. She said, 'Yes, thou must'; then embraced her affectionately. The friend observed, 'It is pleasant to find thou lovest me still.' She replied, 'I love everybody; my love extends to the ends of the earth.' During the night she suffered much; her strength appeared nearly exhausted, and her mind at times a little wandering. Her desire to depart seemed to increase. A friend observed to her that she hoped she would be enabled to wait with patience the Lord's time. 'It seems pleasant, very pleasant, to look forward.'

"*Thirteenth*, her distress continued; life seemed nearly spent. She uttered some expressions which could not be distinctly understood, although she appeared to be sensible and resigned, and continued in frequent supplication.

"Near her close a friend said to her, 'Thou hast been preserved through great patience to-day.' She replied, 'Yes,' and again expressed a wish to wait the Lord's time. About half-past one o'clock she quietly departed this life without sigh or groan, and we are comforted in the belief, having no doubt that her close was peaceful, and her spirit gathered to enjoy that rest prepared for the children of God.

"On the 15th her remains were interred in the Friends' burial-ground at Smithfield, where a large and solemn meeting was held on the occasion."

37. NATHANIEL MOWRY, son of Jeremiah, born Aug. 3, 1737; married URANAH PAINE. He had no children. His will is very important, as giving much information in reference to the relationship of several families.

WILL OF NATHANIEL MOWRY (SON OF JEREMIAH).

"IN THE NAME OF GOD, AMEN. I, Nathaniel Mowry, of Smithfield, in the county of Providence, in the colony of

Rhodisland, & in New England. Gentleman: Being in Health and perfect Memory (Blessed be God therefor) Do this Twenty Seventh Day of May in the Thirteenth Year of the Reign of George the Third, King of Great Britain, &c., and in the Year of Our LORD, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy three, make and publish this my last Will and Testament in manner following (that is to say,)

"IMPRIMIS. I Commend my Soul into the Hands of Almighty God who Gave it Me; and my Body to the Earth from whence it was taken, in Hopes of a Joyful Resurrection Through the Merits of my SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST.

"And as for that Worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased GOD to Bless me, I dispose thereof as followeth—

"FIRST. I give to my Loving Wife Uranah Mowry, the Improvement, Profits and Income of all my Real and personal Estate; by Her freely to be possessed and Enjoyed during the full Term of Her Natural Life.

"ITEM. I Give to my Cousins Jona. Mowry, Junr., Son of my Uncle Uriah Mowry, and Israel Mowry, Son of my Uncle Elisha Mowry, and Nathaniel Newman and Jeremy Newman, Sons of Thomas Newman, All that my Farm situate lying and being in Smithfield aforesaid, which my Honoured Father Jeremiah Mowry deceased purchased of Ephraim Whipple, with the Buildings thereon standing; and is Bounded Westerly with the High-Way, Northerly with Land belonging to Samuel Hill and Thomas Lapham, Esqr., Easterly with Pawtucket River, and Southerly with Land of Daniel Jenks, Esqr., to be equally divided between Them (due Regard being had in the Division thereof respecting Quantity and Quality) to Them and to their several and respective Heirs and Assigns forever, and to enter into the possession thereof within One Year after the Death of my honoured Mother Alice Ballou, or after the Death of my above said Loving Wife, either of which that

shall last happen. And further my Will is, and I hereby order and direct that, if either the above named Nathaniel Newman or Jeremiah Newman shall happen to Die before he shall arrive to the age of Twenty One Years that then and in Such Case the Surviving Brother have and enjoy the Share in the above Farm which would have belonged to the Deceased had he Survived, and to the Survivers Heirs and Assigns forever. And in Case the said Nathaniel Newman and Jeremiah Newman shall both Die before they arrive to the age of Twenty One Years, that then and in such Case I give the Two Shares in the above described farm herein before given unto them, unto Thomas Newman (Father of the said Nathaniel and Jeremiah) and to His Heirs and Assigns forever.

"I GIVE to my good Friend and well beloved Cousin Elisha Mowry, Jun'r, of Smithfield aforesd Son of my Uncle Daniel Mowry, All my homestead farm situate in Smithfield aforesd, with the Buildings thereon, being and standing; Bounded Westerly and Northwesterly with Lands of David Harris, Esqr., and David Jenks, Esqr. Easterly with the Highway, and Southerly with Lands of Capt. William Whipple, and the Heirs of Christopher Jenks Deceased, to him and to his Heirs and Assigns forever; together with all my movable and personal Estate, and to enter into Possession of both Real and Personal Estate immediately after the Death of my aforenamed Loving Wife; and as a Condition that the said Elisha Mowry hold and enjoy the aforegiven Real and Personal Estate, he is hereby Ordered and directed to pay out of the same the following Legacies herein Given to sundry Persons: —

"ITEM. I Give to my honoured Mother Alice Ballou the Sum of Thirty Pounds Lawful money to be paid unto her by the said Elisha Mowry within One Year after the Death of my aforesaid Loving Wife.

"ITEM. I Give to my Three Cousins Stephen Mowry,

Philip Mowry and Gideon Mowry, Sons of my Uncle Uriah Mowry Fifteen Pounds Lawful money Each, to be paid to them severally and Respectively by the said Elisha Mowry Jun'r within One Year after the Death of my aforesaid Loving Wife.

"ITEM. I Give to my five Cousins, namely, Esek Mowry, Abiel Mowry, Henry Mowry, Uriah Mowry Jun'r and Jeremiah Mowry jun'r, Sons of my Uncle Elisha Mowry, Fifteen pounds Lawful money Each, to be paid unto them severally and Respectively by the aforenamed Elisha Mowry Jun'r within One Year after the Death of my aforesd Loving Wife.

"ITEM. I give unto my Cousin Martha Harris, the now Wife of Preserved Harris of said Smithfield Thirty Pounds lawful money to be paid unto her by the said Elisha Mowry Jun'r within One Year after the Death of my said Loving Wife.

"ITEM. I Give to my Brother in Law Thomas Newman Thirty Pounds lawful Money, to be paid unto him by the said Elisha Mowry Jun'r within One Year after the Death of my aforesd Loving Wife.

"ITEM. I Give to my Cousin Mary Arnold, Daughter of my Uncle Israel Arnold Seven Pounds and Ten Shil lings Lawful money, to be paid unto her by the said Elisha Mowry Jun'r within One Year after the Death of my said Loving Wife.

"ITEM. I give to my Cousin Sarah Mowry, Daughter of my Uncle Elisha Mowry Seven Pounds and Ten Shillings Lawful money to be paid unto her by the said Elisha Mowry jun'r within One Year after Death of my said Loving Wife.

"ITEM. I give to my Cousin Patience Mowry, Daughter of my said Uncle Elisha Mowry Seven Pounds and Ten Shillings Lawful money, to be paid unto her by the said Elisha Mowry Jun'r within One Year after the Death of my said Loving Wife.

"ITEM. I Give to my Three Cousins Benedict Arnold, William Arnold jun'r and Elisha Arnold Jun'r Sons of my Uncle Israel Arnold Esq'r Fifteen Pounds Lawful money Each, to be paid unto them severally and Respectively by the said Elisha Mowry Jun'r within One Year after the Death of my said Loving Wife.

"ITEM. I Give to my Two Cousins Rufus Arnold and Ezekiel Arnold, Sons of my Uncle Elisha Arnold Fifteen Pounds Lawful money Each, to be paid unto Them severally and Respectively by the said Elisha Mowry jun'r within One Year after the Death of my said Loving Wife.

"ITEM. I Give to my two Cousins Abraham Sprague and Gideon Sprague, Sons of my Uncle Jonathan Sprague, Fifteen Pounds Lawful Money Each, to be paid unto them severally and Respectively by the said Elisha Mowry jun'r within One Year after the Death of my said Wife.

"ITEM. I give to my two Cousins Bethiah Sprague and Mary Sprague, Daughters of the said Jonathan Sprague, Seven Pounds and Ten Shillings Lawful Money Each, to be paid unto them severally and Respectively by the said Elisha Mowry jun'r within One Year after the Death of my said Loving Wife.

"ITEM. I Give to my Apprentice Abial Baker, provided he shall live to the Age of Twenty One Years and serve faithfully agreeable to his Indenture, the Sum of Thirty Pounds Lawful money to be paid unto him by the said Elisha Mowry jun'r within one year after the Death of my said Loving Wife, or when his Apprenticeship expires, should my said Wife be dead at that Period.

"NEVERTHELESS If I the Testator should leave ISSUE of my Body born within Nine Months after my Decease, of the Body of my now Wife, or within such term of time as the Law shall limmit in such Cases, then Every Clause and Article of the afore written shall be void and of none Effect, anything contained to the Contrary notwithstanding.

"And I Do hereby Constitute and Ordain my aforesd Loving WifeUranah Mowry, and my trusty and well beloved Cousin Elisha Mowry jun'r aforenamed Joint Executors of this my last Will and Testament; And do hereby utterly Disallow, Revoke and Disannul All other former Testaments, Wills, Bequests, and Executors, by me in any Ways before named Willed and Bequested, Ratifying and Confirming this and no other to be my last Will and Testaments.

"In Witness whereof I, the said Nathaniel Mowry, have hereunto Set my Hand and seal the Day and Year first before Written.

NATHANIEL MOWRY.

"Signed, Sealed, published and Declared by the said Nathaniel Mowry as and for his last Will and Testament in the presence of Us, whose names are hereto subscribed; who Set our hands as Witnesses thereto at his request and in his Presence.

Jeremy Whipple.
Edward Clarke.
Otis Whipple.
John Dexter."

38. ISRAEL MOWRY, son of Elisha, born Jan. 1, 1744 (1743, O. S.); married [1] Susan Aldrich, daughter of Judge Caleb Aldrich. She was born Nov. 25, 1748. He died April 1, 1813, aged 69. She died April 30, 1790, aged 43.

CHILDREN.

110. Ariel (or Azael), b. Jan. 3, 1769; d. Oct. 27, 1773.
111. Elisha, b. Oct. 2, 1770.
112. Arnold, } twins, b. Oct. 17 (or 27), 1772.
113. Gardner, }

114. Elsie (or Alcy), b. April 25, 1775.
115. Mary, b. March 4, 1777; d. Oct., 1874, aged 97.
116. Anna, b. Sept. 30, 1779.
117. Caleb, } twins, b. March 3, 1783.
118. Sarah, }
119. Waitee.
120. Israel.
121. Susanna, d. June 8, 17—.

Married [2] PATIENCE ALDRICH, daughter of Robert Aldrich. She was cousin to Susan. She died May, 1814.

CHILDREN.

122. Amey.
123. Robert.
124. Patience.

40. URIAH MOWRY, son of Elisha; married Sept. 7, 1783, JOANNA BARTLETT, daughter of Jeremiah Bartlett, of Cumberland.

CHILDREN.

125. Cynthia, d. April 2, 1861.
126. Sally.
127. Uriah.
128. Alzada.
129. Rebecca.
130. Joanna.
131. George.
132. Patience.
133. Delpha, d. at 17.
134. Barton.

42. ABIEL MOWRY, son of Elisha, b. Sept. 8, 1756; married March 30, 1788, TABATHA WILBOUR, daughter of Daniel and Ruth Wilbour, near Centredale, R. I.

CHILDREN.

135. Adah, b. Oct. 30, 1788.
136. Patience, b. July 21, 1790.
137. Dan, b. April 14, 1792.
138. Abiel, b. Feb. 7, 1794.
139. Tabatha, b. Aug. 2, 1797.
140. Japhet, b. Jan. 25, 1799.
141. Susan, b. June 4, 1800.
142. Liami, b. Apl. 13, 1803.
143. Ruth, b. Nov. 13, 1805.
144. Esek, b. Jan. 18, 1808.
144½. Angeline, b. May 18, 1813.

Abiel d. May 26, 1830, aged 73. Tabatha d. Aug. 12, 1859, aged 90. Japhet d. April 22, 1801.

44. SARAH MOWRY, daughter of Elisha; married June 5, 1774, BENJ. SLOCUM, Jr., son of Benj. Slocum. He moved to North Adams, Mass.

45. ESEK MOWRY, son of Elisha. He was never married. He lived on Sayles's Hill, on the old place, with Jeremiah. Then Jerry took the place; and after him his son Tyler.

46. HENRY MOWRY, son of Elisha; married THANKFUL BOWEN. She died Nov. 17, 1851, aged 88. He died Sept. 15, 1847, aged 87.

CHILDREN.

145. Windsor, b. March 31, 1795; d. Jan. 14, 1861, aged 65.
146. George.
147. Henry, b. March 10, 1802.
148. Joel.
149. Fanny.
150. Chloe.
151. Amey.

He moved to Mendon about 1802, and lived and died there.

47. JEREMIAH MOWRY, son of Elisha; married Oct. 29, 1790, SARAH COOPER, daughter of Moses Aldrich, Jr.

CHILD.

152. Tyler, b. Feb. 26, 1792.

48. PATIENCE MOWRY, daughter of Elisha; married JABEZ WING, Northbridge, Mass.

CHILD.

Hiram.

49. JOSEPH MOWRY, son of Captain Daniel, born Nov. 10, 1723; lawyer; married Feb. 12, 1743, ANNE WHIPPLE. He died in the autumn of 1764, aged 41.

CHILDREN.

153. Job, b. Jan. 24, 1744.
154. Thomas, b. March 15, 1746.
155. Richard, b. Feb. 11, 1748–9.
156. Andrew, b. April 4, 1751.
157. Ruth, b. Aug. 13, 1753.
158. Anne, b. Dec. 14, 1755.
159. Phebe, b. Nov. 14, 1758.
160. Augustus, b. Aug. 9, 1761.

Joseph was evidently a man of good abilities. From an old account-book in the possession of the writer, it appears that at the several terms of the courts from 1757 to 1764, he had many cases in court as attorney, and he was called upon to issue, or "put out," as he called it, a large number of writs to be served for various causes. These writs numbered for the different terms of court from fourteen to fifty and sixty. In one instance a great many cases were prosecuted in the name of Cornelius Culnon. It would appear that this Culnon was a sutler, or broker, or money-lender, or something of that sort, at the camp at Crown Point, about 1760, during the French and Indian War. There are accounts of various articles sold, and frequent orders for money to be deducted from the soldier's wages.

One of these bills reads as follows: —

"JOSEPH BENNETT *to* CORNELIUS CULNON, *Dr.*

New York Currency.

1760				
June 30.	To 2 lb. Loaf Sugar 5 s. To 1 Loaf of Sugar weight 6 lb. 10 oz.....	1	1	3
July 5th, 6th, 10th.	To 1 quart Rum 1 pint wine 1 pint ginn 1 quart Rum.....	0	14	6
16th.	To 1 Bullett pouch 1 quart wine 1 Jill of Ginn.....		12	
Sept. 30.	To 1 pint wine. October 4th To 1 lb. chocolate & 4 lb. Sugar.....		12	6
Oct. 7th.	To To 1 quart wine 3 lbs. Sugar & 1 lb. Coffee.....		12	
16th, 20th.	To To 1 Dozen of Red Herring and one pair of gloves.....		10	
		£4	2	3

Errors Excepted."

This account was sued in October, 1763. The following is the writ in the case: —

"PROVIDENCE, ss. George the Third, by the Grace of God, of Great Britain, France and Ireland, King, Defender of the Faith &c.

"To the Sheriff of our County of Providence or to his Deputy, Greeting: —

"We command you to arrest the body of Joseph Bennett of Situate, in the County of Providence, Labourer, (if he may be found within your Preecinct) and for Want of his Body to attach his Goods and Chattels, and him or them in safe Custody keep until he give sufficient Bond, returnable according to law, to answer the complaint of Cornelius Culnon of Albany in the County of Abony,

marchant, at the next Inferior Court of Common Pleas, to be holden at Providence, within and for our said County of Providence, on the third Monday of December next ensuing the Date hereof, in an Action of the case for the recovery of four pounds two shillings and three pence New York Currency, money due by Book,

as my Declaration to be filed in Court will be fully set forth, the non payment whereof is to the Damage of the Plaintiff one hundred and seventy pounds current Money of New England. Hereof fail not, and make true return of this Writ, with your Doings thereon — Witness, Daniel Jencks, Esq, at Providence this fourth Day of October in the third year of our Reign, Anno Domini 1763.

GEO JACKSON, *Clerk.*

This writ is indorsed on the back: —

"SCITUATE, October ye 10th A D 1763. Then I sarved this writ upon the Body of Joseph Bennet, according to Law, per me

JOHN BLACKMAR, *Dep. Sheriff.*"

The following is a copy of one of these numerous orders from the soldiers in our army in favor of Cornelius Culnon: —

"CROWN POINT 11th Novr, 1760.

"Gentm. Please to pay to Cornelius Culnon or order the sum of sixteen Shillings, New York Currency for value reed and Deduct the same out of the wages first due to me as a soldier in Majr Birkitt's Company & youl Oblige &c

JAMES MOWRY.

"To either of the Hon'l Committee of war for the Colony of Rhode Island."

It would appear that most or all of these orders were sued, and at one time there were nearly fifty of them sued by Lawyer Joseph as attorney for Culnon.

Among the papers preserved in the family for nearly one hundred and twenty-five years, are several briefs and notes for pleading. One of these papers he has inscribed, "Minits in Judg Steere Case," which is given below, with the spelling and abbreviations retained: —

"The Deft. Defends and observes first he is sued in Ejectment therefore ye Plt was oblidgd to set up a Title and not only so but must maintain and prove it or he can not oust ye Deft. if he had only a bare possession.

"1st, the Plt hath set up ye Right of Gideon Harris and Declairs on a Deed from sd Harris to the plt. to which we answer: that the fee of ye Lands in Dispute did not pass by sd Deed, for that said Harris had no Right in sd Lands nor Lawfull Deed, That the deed made to him by Jedediah Harris and the plt. could not pass the fee it being made with pretence to convey Lands belonging to Wm. Brooks, in order to Discharge sd brooks debts when the plt. had money in hand to Discharge sd Debts, if any Debts there were which is not proved and with a pretence to Seport brookses widow, when other wise provided for.

"2ndly, if any thing had passed by the Deed Declared in it is not Good nor effectual against the Deft. it not being Recorded in the Town where the Land Lyeth, which is Required to prevent Clandstaine and unsarton Sails. Colony Law, page 50.

"plead this to ye Cort or Jurey as you please.

"3dly, for that Wm. Broocks had no Title to the premisses at his Death the Same being part of one of the 13 Lots Granted to the Purchasers of weftanaug on Good Consideration in the of and that the Same was sev-

ered from the Common Long before the Survey Declaired on made to Mr. Broocks, and before the purchase of the plt. write the Deft. was possessed of the premisses in fee by purchase on Good Consideration.

"4thly. That if Mr. Brooks did Include the premisses in his survey Declared on, there is Sufficant number of acres there in Contained, that the Deft. may hold his full Demand there in, and Mr. Brookses Right, if he had any, its full number of acres and 40 acres more for any honest man that Can make out a right to it."

Lawyer Joseph received from Stephen Hopkins, Governor, in 1761, a commission as captain of the Third Company or Trained Band of the town of Smithfield. After this he appears in all correspondence to have been addressed by his title of Captain.

A fac-simile of his autograph, given below, is taken from a receipt written Feb. 8, 1762.

What was the cause of his death is not now known. But he was cut off in the prime of life, being but a little over forty years old. There are records of his business in June, and he probably died in September, 1764. He died intestate, and Anne, his widow, was offered the office of administratrix, but for some reason she refused it, and Daniel Mowry, his brother, was appointed administrator by the Council.

At that time Richard, the third son, was but in his sixteenth year, and he chose his uncle Daniel to be his guardian.

Anne, the widow, afterwards married Jonathan Harris, son of Richard Harris. She was his second wife. Richard Harris was born Nov. 14, 1668. He was the son of Thomas Harris, 2d, who was an original proprietor in Providence and Pawtucket, and died Feb. 27, 1710. He was the son of Thomas Harris, 1st, who came to Providence with Roger Williams. He was town treasurer and surveyor, and died in 1686.

50. THOMAS MOWRY, son of Captain Daniel, born May 27, 1726; married —— WHIPPLE; died April 27, 1745.

They had no children.

51. DANIEL MOWRY, son of Captain Daniel, called "Judge Daniel," born Aug. 17, 1729; married [1] Aug. 27, 1749, ANNE PHILLIPS, daughter of Richard and Anne Phillips. He died July 6, 1806, aged 77. She died Sept. 18, 1753, aged 30.

CHILDREN.

161. Daniel, b. April 8, 1750.
162. Amey, b. Sept. 1, 1751.
163. Anne, b. June 21, 1753.

Married [2] Aug. 19, 1756, AMEY ARNOLD, widow of Thomas Arnold.

CHILDREN.

164. Mary, b. Oct. 14, 1756.
165. Marcy, b. Aug. 28, 1758.

Married [3] CATHERINE STEERE, daughter of Anthony and Rachel Steere.

She died April 4, 1827, aged 75.

CHILDREN.

166. Joseph, b. June 30, 1788.
167. Rachel, b. Nov. 22, 1790.

Judge Daniel Mowry was one of the foremost men of Northern Rhode Island, during the important period that comprised the Revolutionary War and the years immediately preceding.

The following tribute to his memory was published in the *Woonsocket Patriot* of Jan. 31, 1868, and is in the main correct.

JUDGE DANIEL MOWRY.

"The town of Smithfield, Rhode Island, was once, and only once, represented in the Congress of the United States. That Representative was Daniel Mowry, the son of Daniel Mowry, and grandson of Joseph Mowry. He was born on the 28th of August, 1729. His father then lived on a farm now owned by Burrill Mowry, near the 'Yellow Tavern,' a few rods from the road leading from Woonsocket to Greenville. His childhood, youth, and manhood were passed upon the farm with his father. In those early days schools were few and far between, so that he was denied the advantages of a school education. He never attended school, in all, more than three months. He learned the trade of a cooper, and some of his work has been in the family of his daughter since her remembrance. This daughter is the widow of the late Maj. Morton Mowry. He early manifested a taste for reading, and soon acquired a better knowledge of books than

many possess who are favored with libraries. Not only did he read books, but what is more valuable to a public man, he learned to read that mysterious scroll called 'human nature.' Men of his stamp do not long keep hidden within the shadow of their own dwellings. The public soon found out his merits, and he was repeatedly called from the monotonous routine of a farmer's life to act in various public capacities. He was sent to the General Assembly for a number of years, both from Smithfield, his native town, and also from the town of Glocester, where he resided six years of his life. He served as town clerk of his native town for a series of years, and any one who will take the trouble to examine the records in the town clerk's office in Smithfield will there find the books then kept by him written in a clear, full hand.

"He was often called upon to act as counsellor or advocate for parties having cases before the courts. He was tall and slim in person, with blue eyes, remarkably sharp and piercing, and a light, clear complexion. He was a very fluent speaker, and it is said that when he became interested in a subject, his large full eyes would dilate still more, his tall form would sway to and fro, and in clear, pointed sentences he would utter his convictions.

"He was one of the judges of the court at one time, and by the name of 'Judge Mowry' he was known for years. He was in Congress one term, and might have gone longer, but would not accept a second nomination. He was possessed of a large share of sound common-sense, — a qualification sadly lacking in some of the Congressmen of the present day, — which enabled him to see the difficulties under which he labored, in attempting to cope with other members, whose early education had not been so neglected as his own. His native pride caused him to decline a re-election. He came back to his farm, and there passed the remainder of his days, honored and respected by all who

knew him. He was three times married. His first wife was Anna Phillips, and by her he had three children, one son and two daughters. His second wife's maiden name was Arnold; two daughters came by her. Catherine Steere was his third wife, and two boys and one girl blessed their union. He died in the year 1806, July 6, after a short illness, at his home, where Mrs. Morton Mowry now lives, about four miles from Woonsocket, and was buried beside his three wives, in the family lot, near his childhood's home."

The foregoing needs amplification in some particulars. He represented his native town in the General Assembly most of the time from May, 1766, when he was first chosen, till he was elected Judge of the Court of Common Pleas in October, 1776. He was re-elected judge in 1777, 1778, 1779, and in February, 1780.

It was his good fortune to be a member of the General Assembly in May, 1776, when that body passed the famous "Independence Act," just two months before the "Declaration of Independence" by Congress.

The previous Assembly had displaced the Tory governor, Joseph Wanton, and appointed that stanch patriot, Nicholas Cooke, governor. May 4, 1776, the Assembly passed an Act repealing "The Act for the more effectually securing to His Majesty the allegiance of His Subjects, in this his Colony and Dominion of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations."

THE ACT OF MAY 4, 1776.*

"An Act repealing an Act, entitled, 'An Act for the more effectually securing to his Majesty the Allegiance of

* Colonial Records, Vol. VII. p. 522.

of his subjects, in this his Colony and Dominion of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations,' and altering the forms of Commissions, of all Writs and Processes in the Courts, and of the Oaths prescribed by law.

" Whereas in all States, existing by compact, Protection and Allegiance are reciprocal, the latter being only due in consequence of the former ; and whereas George the Third, King of Great Britain, forgetting his dignity, regardless of the compact most solemnly entered into, ratified and confirmed to the inhabitants of this Colony, by his illustrious Ancestors, and till of late fully recognised by Him, — and entirely departing from the duties and character of a good King, instead of protecting, is endeavoring to destroy the good people of this Colony, and of all the United Colonies, by sending fleets and armies to America, to confiscate our property, and spread fire, sword, and desolation throughout our country, in order to compel us to submit to the most debasing and detestable tyranny ; whereby we are obliged by necessity, and it becomes our highest duty, to use every means with which God and nature have furnished us, in support of our invaluable rights and privileges, to oppose that Power which is exerted only for our Destruction.

" Be it therefore enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof it is enacted, that an Act entitled, ' An Act for the more effectual securing to his Majesty the Allegiance of his subjects in this his Colony and dominion of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations,' be, and the same is hereby repealed.

" And be it further enacted by this General Assembly, and by the authority thereof it is enacted, That in all Commissions for Offices, Civil and Military, and in all Writs and Processes in law, whether original, judicial, or executory, civil or criminal, wherever the name and authority of the said King is made use of, the same shall be omitted,

and in the room thereof the name and authority of the Governor and Company of this Colony shall be substituted in the following words, to wit: 'The Governor and Company of the English Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations.' That all such Commissions, Writs and Processes, shall be otherwise of the same form and tenure as they heretofore were; that the Courts of Law be no longer entitled nor considered as the King's Courts; and that no instrument in writing of any nature or kind, whether public or private, shall in the date thereof mention the year of said King's Reign; Provided nevertheless, that nothing in this Act contained shall render void or vitiate any Commission, Writ, Process or Instrument heretofore made or executed, on account of the name and authority of the said King being therein inserted."

Mr. Cowell, in his book, *Spirit of* '76 *in Rhode Island*, says: —

"Fearless of all consequences, and long before the Declaration of Independence, the General Assembly took the bold stand of dissolving the allegiance due by his subjects in the colony to their king. This was a proud day for Rhode Island, and the passage of such an Act at such a crisis will ever redound to her glory, so long as the love of political liberty and equal rights shall predominate in the human breast. To appreciate the boldness of this movement, we must consider that at this time three of the best regiments were absent from the State; that there was a great scarcity of the munitions of war; that the enemy had full command of the bay, and the shores to a great extent were accessible to his ships of war. In addition to which there were, as always will be on such occasions, '*croakers*,' — a tribe always inimical to the progress of liberty or religion, and who preached up submission to the 'powers

that be ' ; but in spite of all the surrounding difficulties, the heart of the people was to ' *go forward* ' as if they had heard the voice of the Almighty, as did the children of Israel at their passage through the Red Sea ; and they went forward, and ruptured the strongest ties that can exist between a people and their rulers, and they did it because it was their *right* to do so, under the circumstances of the case."

" Seldom, if ever, was a Legislature so unanimous and so fearless in carrying out the voice of the people. It was no trivial matter for the people of this colony to throw off their allegiance to their sovereign lord and king, and that, too, at a time when it was problematical what course the Continental Congress would pursue in regard to Independence. But in the language of the preamble to the Act, the people knew that ' Protection and Allegiance were reciprocal,' and on this rock they stood ; and when the former was withdrawn, it was their right and duty ' to use every means which God and nature had furnished them in support of their inalienable rights.' Such was the language of the Representatives of the people of this State, in May, 1776 ! No doubt this act was ' treasonable and rebellious,' as treason and rebellion were then defined by British statutes ; but in point of fact, it was simply a declaration of what were some of the inalienable rights of man, and now in ' this age of progress ' generally so acknowledged by all disbelievers in the ' divine right of kings.' "

In May, 1780, he was elected, with James M. Varnum, Ezekiel Cornell, and John Collins, to represent this State in Congress.

In May, 1781, he was re-elected, and this time the General Assembly passed the following vote : — *

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* R. I. Col. Records, IX. p. 428.

"*Voted and Resolved*, That the Hon. Daniel Mowry, Jr., and James M. Varnum, Esqs., be, and they are hereby requested to proceed to Philadelphia, and take their seats in Congress as soon as possible, to represent this State for the ensuing six months; and that the Hon. William Ellery and Ezekiel Cornell, Esq., be, and they are hereby, requested to proceed to Congress at the expiration of that time, to relieve the first above-named gentlemen, and to represent this State for the remaining six months."

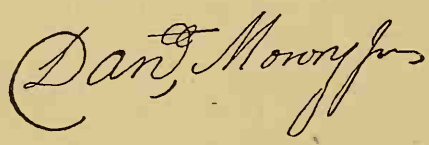
Daniel Mowry was placed on many important committees by the General Assembly during these troublous times. In 1774 he was appointed one of the census-takers, to "make an enumeration of the inhabitants of the Colony." He was also upon a similar commission in 1776.

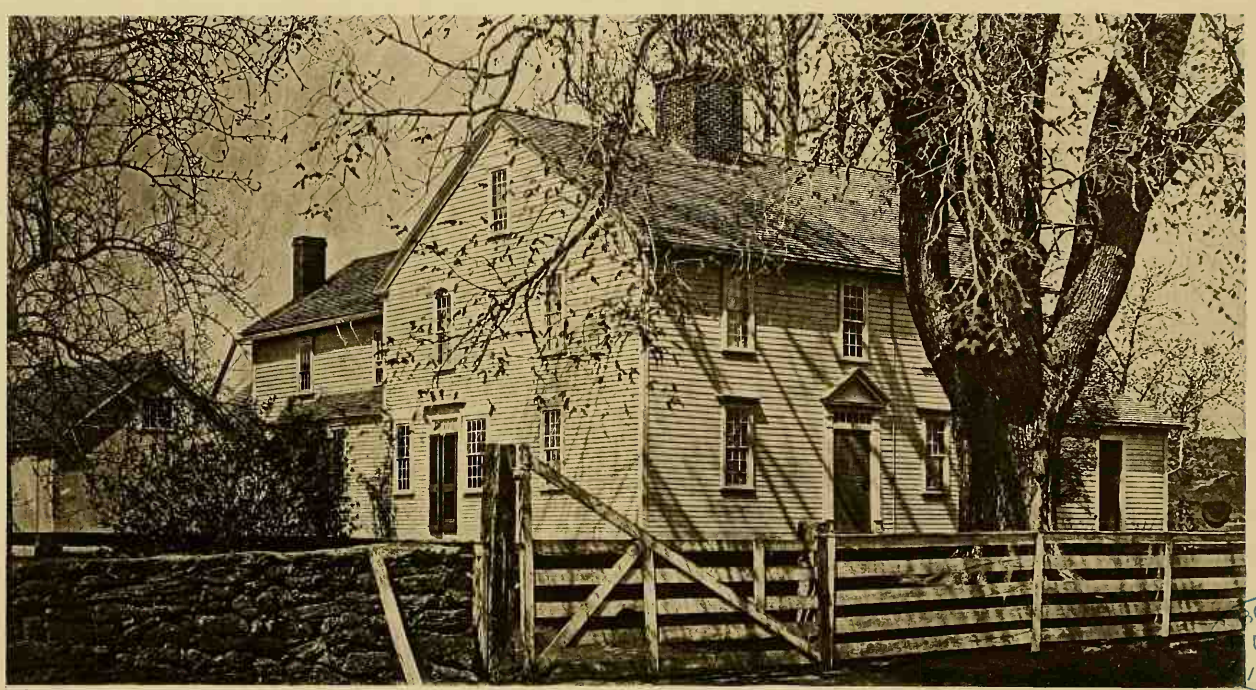
He was a member of a committee appointed in 1777 to number all persons capable of bearing arms.

In 1776 he was on a legislative committee to superintend the erection of fortifications. He was, at the same time, intrusted with the duty of removing to the "Battery at Fox Point" certain ordnance. And in 1779 he was on a committee to estimate the taxable property of the State.

He was town clerk for twenty years, and his son Daniel continued to serve in the same capacity for thirty-five years, thus father and son holding that peculiar and responsible office for fifty-five years! Where can a parallel to this be found in any New England town?

A fac-simile of his autograph, given below, is taken from a notice written May 26, 1769.





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COLONEL ELISHA MOWRY HOUSE,

SMITHFIELD, R. I.

1759.

52. ELISHA MOWRY, son of Captain Daniel, called "Colonel Elisha," born March 25, 1735; married Jan. 28, 1757–8, PHEBE GULLEY. She was born Jan. 25, 1738. He died June 28, 1792, aged 57. She died Feb. 21, 1823, aged 85.

CHILDREN.

168. William, b. Aug. 23, 1761.
169. Marcy, b. July 29, 1763.
170. Ahab, b. Sept. 9, 1766.
171. Sylvester, b. Aug. 7, 1768.
172. Phebe, b. Sept. 1, 1770; d. March 22, 1797, aged 26.
173. Jesse, b. Jan. 5, 1773.
174. Nathaniel, b. Dec. 18, 1774.
175. Martha, b. Feb. 6, 1777.
176. Mary, b. Feb. 7, 1779.
177. Alce, b. Nov. 1, 1781.

The record of this family and some portions of their descendants was copied from an old family Bible belonging to John A. Mowry, son of Sylvester.

Col. Elisha Mowry was known as "Elisha, Jr.," since his father's cousin Elisha, the son of Henry, was about fifteen years his senior. Colonel Elisha was one of the leading men of his day. In 1759 he built the house lately occupied by John A. Mowry, Esq., in Smithfield. He was at that time a young man of twenty-four. It was one of the largest and most substantial houses in that part of the State. When he moved to the Limerock, to the place given him by his cousin Nathaniel, then this house was taken by his sons Sylvester and Jesse. Sylvester after-

wards bought out Jesse's right, and lived and died there. Sylvester was married in 1793, and his death occurred there in 1831. John A., son of Sylvester, was married in 1838, and lived in this house till his death in 1876. The house is an excellent one at this day, although it is nearly *one hundred and twenty years old*, and during all this period it has been occupied by only *three families*, the father, son, and grandson, in lineal descent.

During a long term of years, preceding and during the Revolutionary War, Colonel Elisha was not only a farmer but a merchant, doing a large business in the West India trade. He had a store in Smithfield, and one at Warehouse Point in Connecticut. Indeed, he was the pioneer in trade at that place, which was named from his "Ware House," and has always retained the appellation. He would often send a load of molasses to Hartford or Warehouse Point, and bring back to Providence a cargo of shingles. When the war broke out in 1775, he was appointed lieutenant-colonel in the Army of Observation. He had warmly espoused the cause of the Colonies; and when the Legislature had deposed the Tory governor, Joseph Wanton, and put in his place the Hon. Nicholas Cooke, and had ordered a regiment to be raised, armed, and equipped for three months, then the patriotic governor issued a new commission to him as lieutenant-colonel.

These two commissions are now lying before the writer, and are of interest as showing the progress of events in a little more than a single year. The first was "By the Honorable the General Assembly of the English Colony of Rhode Island, and Providence Plantations, in New Eng-

land, in America," and was signed by "Henry Ward," the Secretary of said Colony. The second was "By the Honorable *Nicholas Cooke*, Esquire, Governor, &c., of and over the STATE of RHODE ISLAND and PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS," and was signed by "Nicholas Cooke," the Governor, and "Henry Ward, Secretary."

As these documents possess unusual interest, by showing the change which had come over the laws and customs and modes of thought of our people at that transition period, they are given in full below.

It will be noticed that the purpose expressed by the first, or colonial commission, is "*to preserve the Interest of His Majesty and His good subjects in these Parts.*" In the second, or State commission, the object is "*in order to preserve the Rights, Property and Lives of the good People* of this *and the other United States.*" This in fact well expresses the difference in the object of the government manifest between the "nineteenth of June, A. D. 1775," and the "fourteenth of September, 1776."

"By the Honorable the GENERAL ASSEMBLY of the L.S. *English* Colony of *Rhode-Island*, and *Providence* Plantations, in *New-England*, in *America*.

"To *Elisha Mowrey jun.* Esq. GREETING.

"YOU, *Elisha Mowrey jun.* being, by the General Assembly aforesaid, appointed *Lieutenant Colonel* of the *second* Regiment of Militia in the County of Providence in the Colony aforesaid, are hereby, in the Name of His Majesty GEORGE the *Third*, by the Grace of God, King of *Great-Britain* and so forth, authorized, empowered, and commissioned to exercise the office of *Lieutenant-Colonel*,

of and over the Regiment aforesaid; and to command, guide and conduct the same, or any Part thereof. And in Case of an Invasion, or Assault of a common Enemy, to infest or disturb this His Majesty's Plantation, you are to alarm and gather together the Regiment under your Command, or such Part thereof as you shall deem sufficient, and therewith, to the utmost of your Skill and Ability, you are to resist, expel, kill, and destroy them, in order to preserve the Interest of His Majesty and His good Subjects in these Parts. You are also to follow such Instructions, Directions and Orders, as shall, from Time to Time, be further given forth, either by the General Assembly, the Governor and General Council, or other your superior Officers. And for your so doing, this Commission shall be your sufficient Warrant and Discharge.

> "By Virtue of An Act of the said General Assembly, I, *Henry Ward*, Esq. Secretary of the said Colony, have hereunto set my Hand, and the Public Seal of the said Colony, this *Nineteenth* Day of *June*, A. D. 1775, and in the Fifteenth year of His said Majesty's Reign.
>
> *Henry Ward.*"

This was given June 19, 1775, under authority of an Act passed the third day of May, which provided that the *Committee of Safety*, or any four of them, "be, and they are hereby, appointed and fully empowered, during the recess of the General Assembly, to fill up all vacancies that shall happen amongst the officers" for the said army, namely, the "Army of Observation." This commission, it will be observed, is signed only by *Henry Ward*, who was Secretary of the Colony.

Governor Wanton having been forbidden to act as governor, it was further enacted, —

"That Henry Ward Esquire, Secretary of the Colony be, and he is hereby directed, and fully authorized and empowered, to sign the commissions for all officers, civil and military, chosen by this Assembly, as well those going in the service, abovesaid, as others." *

This explains the anomaly of a military commission not signed by the governor. Fifteen months later, the second commission was given to this patriotic lieutenant-colonel, signed by that stanch old hero, Governor Cooke.

"By the Honorable NICHOLAS COOKE, Esquire, GOVERNOR, CAPTAIN GENERAL, and COMMANDER IN CHIEF, {L.S.} of and over the STATE of *Rhode Island* and *Providence Plantations*.

"To *Elisha Mowry Esquire*, Greeting.

"WHEREAS the Committee appointed to act in the Recess of the General Assembly of the State aforesaid, at their Meeting in *Newport* on the *Twelfth day* of September, in the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Seven-Hundred and Seventy Six, ordered a Regiment to be raised from the Militia of the said State, to continue in the Service thereof Three Months from the Time of Inlistment; and you the said *Elisha Mowry* have been appointed *Lieutenant Colonel of and over the Regiment aforesaid*, and to command, guide and conduct the same, or any Part thereof; and in case of an Invasion, or Assault of a common Enemy to infest or disturb this or any other of the United States of America, you are to alarm or gather together the *Regiment* under your Command, or any Part thereof, as you shall deem sufficient, and therewith, to the utmost of your Skill and Ability, you are to resist, expel, kill and destroy them, in order to preserve the Rights, Property and Lives of the Good People of this and the other United States.

* Colonial Records, Vol. VII. p. 326.

"You are also to follow such further Instructions, Directions, and Orders, as shall from Time to Time be further given forth, either by the General Assembly, the Governor and General Council, or other your superior Officers. And for your so doing, this Commission shall be your sufficient Warrant.

"GIVEN under my Hand, and the seal of the said State, this *Fourteenth* Day of September in the Year of Our Lord *One Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy-six.*

Nich's Cooke.

By His Honor's Command,
HENRY WARD, Sec'y."

Colonel Elisha is said to have been a good specimen of the gentleman of the old school. He was dignified and decorous. He had a strong, firm mind, and was robust in body. He had a pleasant word for everybody, but would never be imposed upon.

It is related of him that at one time he was insulted by an intoxicated man, who also was a large, strong, athletic man; but Colonel Elisha, having ordered him away, and he having refused to go, took him without further ceremony by his coat-collar and the large part of his breeches and threw him into the road.

Early in the Revolution he had occasion to march his regiment from Providence to Rhode Island, through Fall River and Tiverton. When in the latter town he passed the night at the farm of Col. William Cooke, three miles below Fall River.

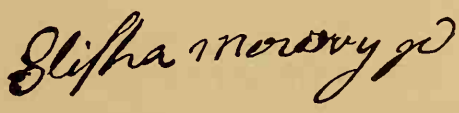
Colonel Cooke had a daughter, a little girl named Patience, who observed very particularly Colonel Elisha with his stately bearing, his short breeches and knee-buckles,

and ever after remembered that, since his men could not all sleep in beds, he refused a bed, though urged upon him, and so slept upon the floor of her father's house. Little did she dream that in process of time she should marry the accomplished, tall, well-proportioned, and handsome son of the stately colonel. In 1793 she married his son Sylvester, with whom she lived happily *thirty-eight* years, when he died. She outlived him fourteen years, and died aged seventy-eight, mourned by a large circle of descendants and friends.

Colonel Elisha was cut off suddenly in the midst of a useful and successful life, a little more than fifty-seven years of age. He had been lifting a tierce of molasses, in Providence, and ruptured a blood-vessel, from the effects of which he died, June 28, 1792. Before his death, however, he made his will, but when it was written out by the clerk, and the witnesses brought in, he was too far gone to sign it, and so died, leaving the will, prepared in accordance with his express directions, unsigned.

Now follows a very remarkable circumstance. All his heirs who were above age petitioned the probate court to have the will proved, and it was proved, allowed, executors appointed, and the property divided in accordance with the provisions of the will. This is a remarkable case, perhaps without a parallel, and certainly very creditable to the character of the heirs.

A fac-simile of his handwriting is here given.



His will, and the proceedings connected therewith, are given below.

Will of Col. Elisha Mowry.

"In the name of God, Amen! I, Elisha Mowry, of Smithfield, in the County of Providence, Esquire, being weak in body, but of sound disposing mind and memory, do make and publish this my last will and testament in manner following: —

"First. I order all my just debts to be paid by my executors —

"Secondly. I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Phebe in Lieu of her dower The rents and profits of my farm whereon she now lives during her life provided she remain my widow — But in case she shall again marry I give unto my said wife Five-hundred dollars to be paid her by my four youngest sons to wit — Ahab, Sylvester, Jesse, and Nathaniel —

"I give and bequeath unto my son William Mowry Ten pounds, lawfull money to be paid him by my executors —

"I give and devise unto my sons Ahab Mowry and Sylvester Mowry Two-thousand dollars each in value of my real estate, and in case they cannot agree in the division thereof To be set off to them by three judicious men To have and to hold their respective shares to them, their several heirs and assigns forever.—

"I give and devise to my sons Jesse Mowry and Nathaniel Mowry Eighteen Hundred Dollars in value of my real estate to be divided or set off to them as herein before directed respecting Ahab & Sylvester — to hold their respective shares to them their several heirs and assigns forever —

"I give and bequeath to my Daughters Phebe, Martha, Mary, and Alice, one thousand dollars each to be paid them by my executors.

"I give and bequeath to my daughter Marcy Randall Five Hundred-dollars to be paid her by my executors.

"The rest and residue of my estate real and personal I give and devise to my sons Ahab, Sylvester, Jesse and Nathaniel, to hold to them their respective heirs and assigns share and share alike forever.

"I constitute and appoint my sons Ahab Mowry and Sylvester Mowry joint executors of this my last will and testament, hereby revoking all former wills —

"Witness my hand and Seal this Twenty eighth day of June, 1792.

L.S.

"Published and pronounced by the testator as his last will and testament in presence of us who in his presence and of each other have signed as witnesses —

Colonel Elisha having died unable to sign the above will, yet it having been written in full accordance with his directions, his heirs presented the following document to the probate court, asking that the will be approved as though it had been duly signed and witnessed.

"Know all men by these presents, That whereas it hath pleased the Lord in his Providence, to remove by death our honoured Father Elisha Mowry on the 28th of ye 6th month called June last, after a short illness, during which it appears by the declaration of our uncle Daniel Mowry of Smithfield, Doct. William Bowen, Pardon Bowen, and Daniel Cook all of Providence, where he sickened and died, that he appeared sensible and desirous of making his last will and testament and in their presence, dictated to the said Daniel Cook who was sent for as a scribe for that purpose, minutes and directions to write the same, and that it was accordingly written as on the above and pre-

ceeding page appears. But before it was completed his disorder had rendered him incapable of further executing the same. Wherefore that harmony, concord and mutual love may be preserved in the family; We Wm. Mowry, Ahab Mowry Sylvester Mowry, John Randall, and Mary his wife, and Phebe Mowry children and heirs of our said hond father Decsd Do by these presents, for our sakes, our heirs, and assigns declare our free and full approbation of the said instrument as and for the last will and Testament of our said hond father decsd — and hereby severally covenant and engage to do everything necessary on our part to ratify and confirm the same in every part thereof, and hereby for ourselves and heirs and assigns release and forever quitclaim to each other all right title and interest which we or either of us have, might, or could by law have in any or all the estate both real or personal which our said hond Father died siezed of other than that part share or portion which is assigned us severally in and by the aforesaid Last will and testament of our honoured father Decsd and which is hereby agreed to be understood that the land given to Ahab and Sylvester in their father's life-time be apprised and charged them as part of their portion, and that in case the estate should by any means fall short of paying all the legacies mentioned in the said will that such deficiency be proportioned and deducted out of each ones share according to the sums given and mentioned in the said will, and that the executors therein named pay out the legacies accordingly and that for this purpose we hereby covenant to render them our assistance in the execution of such further instrument or instruments in writing as may be devised in order to vest them with powers Edequtte to the full execution of the said will in the best manner that may be devised and found necessary so that the estate may be preserved and justice done to the children under age as well as ourselves. And I Phebe

Mowry hereby acknowledge my acceptance of the said last will and testament of my loving husband Elisha Mowry Decsd — and in consideration thereof which is to be understood and is now agreed to extend to a sufficiency of firewood for the family from the lott purchased of Isaeed Mowry and also the priviledge from the estate wood for burning a kiln of lime annually, and also two feather beds, and furniture with other household goods for keeping house, in proportion, which beds and furniture (not worn out) to be returned after my decease — In consideration of all which and one cow I do by these presents, release, quit claim all my right of dower and Power of Thirds in the estate of my said Husband died siezed of except the part assigned me in the said will.

" In witness whereof we hereunto set our hands and seals in Smithfield the fifth day of the seventh month called July, in the year of our Lord 1792.

In presence of

MOSES BROWN.
DANIEL COOK.

WILLIAM MOWRY, [L. S.]
MARCY RANDALL, [L. S.]
JOHN RANDALL, [L. S.]
AHAB MOWRY, [L. S.]
SYLVESTER MOWRY, [L. S.]
PHEBE MOWRY, [L. S.]
her
PHEBE × MOWRY, [L. S.]
mark.

" SMITHFIELD, SS. Personally appeared Wm Mowry, John & Mary Randall Ahab Mowry, Sylvester Mowry Phebe Mowry & Phebe Mowry, and acknowledged the above and foregoing instrument to be their voluntary act and deed hand and seal before me the day above said.

Before me, JOHN SAYLES, *Jus. Peace.*

" At a Town Council held in Smithfield in the county of Providence &c, specially convened on ye 5th of July A. D.

1792, The last will and testament of Elisha Mowry Esq of Smithfield in the county of Providence Decsd was laid on the bord by Ahab Mowry and Sylvester Mowry who was named executors in said will, who accepted of being executors as they was appointed and desired said will might be proved by this council, and the following testimony was engaged to by the witnesses — Viz —

"We the subscribers being duly engaged do testify and and say that we were present with Col. Elisha Mowry on the 28th day of June 1792 that he the said Col. Mowry was desirous of making his last will and testament and in our presence gave directions therefor, and that a will was drawn agreeable to said directions bearing date the said 28th of June and which has this present day, being the 5th of July 1792 been exhibited to the town council of Smithfield. That the said Elisha Mowry at the time the will was compleated was unable to sign the same but at the time he gave the directions as aforesaid was of sound disposeing mind and memory, and in our judgment as capable of disposing of his estate as at any time.

Danl. Mowry.
Wm. Bowen.
Pardon Bowen.
Danl Cook.

"Whereupon this Council having maturely heard and considered every circumstance relating the will aforesaid Do therefore hereby prove and Approve the aforesaid Will, to be a lawfull will and testament and the approbation of the heirs that are of age have signed and sealed the same by assent and agreement, approving and accepting the said will, all which is approved and ordered recorded.

Witness, Danl Mowry ye 3 Coun Clk.

"And is accordingly recorded by Danl Mowry ye 3d Coun Clk.

"An Inventory of the Goods and Chattels of Elisha Mowry Late of Smithfield in the county of Providence &c. Esq. Deceased, who departed this life June ye 28th day A. D. 1792. Taken by us the subscribers the 3d & 4th days of July A. D. 1792.

	£.	s.	d.
To Wearing Apparel	15	11	6
To Cash £2, 10s Brass Pistols 12s 2 small Arms &c 42	5	8	—
To one Calf skin & remnant of Leather 14s, one Watch £4. 4s	4	18	—
To one case High Draws £3, 12, one Desk £2 14, one high case not finished £2. 14, one Chest 9s Small Table 3s one large Ovel Ditto 18s all	10	10	—
To one Square Table 14s one Table 6s one Chest 9s one chest with drawers 9s one Kittchen Table 6s one cloth Press 12s one Large Looking Glass £2, 8 One small Ditto 5s one other ditto 6s all	5	15	—
To 14 Winsor Chairs and 3 Large Ditto £5, 2 Two great dittos 8s all	5	10	
One Long Table 9s one old Do 4s Small Chairs 26	1	19	
To 34 Milk Trays 34s One Butter Do. 2s one Bread Trough 2s all	1	10	
To one cheese Tub 6s one churn 3s 8 milk Pails 12s 2 Chesse Vatts 6s all	1	7	
To Two Cases and bottles 12s one Hatchell 12s one fine ditto 8s one small Trunk 4s all	1	16	
To two Bibles small 4s 10 Table Silver Spoons £5, 8s, 7d Tea dittos 14s all	6	6	
One silver cup 6s Money Scales 6s one Link Silver Buttons 1s all	"	13	
To 32lb Pewter a 18d p lb—18lb old Ditto a 9 36 Queen Ware Plaits 9s all	3	10	6
To 2 Pewter Tea Potts 12s Tea Cups Saucers &c 10s Glass ware of Sundry Sorts 24s all	2	6	
To 4 Delph Bowls 3s one earthen can 1s one pipe box 3s all		7	
To one pair Slittiards 8s 2 old Saddles and 3 old bridles, old Saddle bags 40s	2	8	6
To 2 pair hand Irons 15s 3 Trammels 12s 2 pair old Tongs & two old Shovels 10s all	1	15	

	£.	s.	d.
To Grid Iron 8s Gridle Iron & Flesh Fork 4s one large Iron Spittle 12s all	1	4	"
To 4 Small Iron Spittles 9s Bake Spittle 1s 2 Spiders 3	"	13	—
To Two Tea Kittles, 12s 2 Skillets 2s 3 Iron Potts 8s 2 Flatt Irons 5s all	1	7	
To 5 candlesticks 3s 3 and Iron Spoon 6d 2 Iron Basins 2s all		5	9
To Tin Ware 14s Powder Horns & Some Powder 1s 6		15	6
To one old Box Iron and one heater 1s Case Knives and forks 8s all		9	
To one hammer & pincers 3s one cross cut saw and file 10s old Handsaw 1 6 all	1	2	6
To one Feather bed & Furniture No 1. £12 one Ditto & Ditto No. £9 10s all	21	10	—
To one Ditto and Do No 3 £8, one ditto & ditto No 4 £6 One Ditto and Ditto No 5 £4, 10s	18	10	—
To one Ditto & Do No 6 £4. 10s, one Do & Do No 7 £8	12	10	—
To one Ditto & Do No 8 £9, one Flock Ditto & Do £2. 10	11	10	—
To 3 New Coverleds Toe 30s one old Ditto 2s 3 Blankets 18s all	2	10	—
To 25 yds new Blanketing Cloth a 2s 6 p yd	3	2	6
To 7 Flannel Sheets 46s 3 pr Cotton & Linnen Dittos 40s all	4	6	
To 2 pr. Linnen Sheets 30s one pr. old do 5s 7 Pillow Cases 10s 6 all	2	5	6
To 5 Table cloths 18s 6 Towels 6s all	1	4	—
To one yoke Oxen £13, 10,—6 cows £4, 10 each 2 Steers year old £8, 2s all	48	12	—
To one horse £9, one old Do £3, 5 calves a 12s each—all	15		—
To 2 Yearlings £2. 8—2 Cows Dry a £4. 4 each— 13 Sheep & 4 lambs £3 16s 6	14	12	6
To one Grindstone 12s 3 Scythes & Tackle 21s Waggon Boxes 7s 6 all	2	—	6
To 3 old Ox Yoke ring 10s Staples 9s 3 Iron Shovels 12s all	1	1	—

	£	s.	d.
To two Iron Bars 18s 3 old Broad Hoes 3s 2 new ditto 6s all	1	7	
To two Setts Horse Traces, Coller, and hains 18s 3 Draught Chains 21s	1	19	
To Beatle Rings & 3 Wedges 6s one Dung Fork 2s 6 4 augers Chisels & Gong 8s all		16	6
To Carpenter & Coopers Adz and 2 Drawing Knives all		9	—
To Smoothing Plain & Jointure 1s Horse Harrow 8s 2 Plows 22s all	1	11	—
To one old Cart and Wheels £2. 2 Linnen Wheels 24s one Clock Reel 1s 6 all	3	5	6
To one Bed Cord and Cart Rope 6s one Woolen Wheel 9s 6 New Scythes 24s	1	19	
To 9 hay Rakes 8s 5 Hay forks 2s each—all		18	
To about 220. lbs. Salt Pork & Hams a 4d p lb	3	13	4
To 8 New Empty Firkins a 2s		16	
To about 12 lb Dry Fish 3s 3 pecks salt 1s 6	0	4	6
To about 54 bushell Indian Corn a 2s 6 per bushell, 5 bushell Rice 3s 6 all	8	1	6
To 2 half bushells, one peck, one half peck Measure all	—	3	6
To old Ox Slead 6s one old cheese press 3s Sundry old casks 50s all	2	19	—
To 19 Lime Casks in the Barn a 1s 8d ea	1	11	8
To Sundry old Baskets 6s 3 Barrells Sope & Casks a 12s pr Barrell	1	16	—
To one pair Brass Scales 4s one Coffe Mill 4s One small Mortar 1s 6 all		9	
To 10 Chestnut logs drawed to the house for Staves	2	10	
To 46 lbs Sheeps wool a 1s 4 To Drills Hammers &c for digging lime rock 20s	4	1	0
To one Loom Slay Quill Wheel &c 60s about 1½c old Iron 18s all	3	18	—
To about 1c W Popalonia Sugr 60s Small Brass Kittle 36s all	5	11	—
To 3 Chamber Potts and 2 Stone Jars 4s 4 Swine and 4 Pigs @ 6s Swine a 2d ½ ℔ lb	9	10	8
To two cows one at Pawtucket, one at Stephen Gulleys farm a 13 Dollars Each	7	16	—
To one brass Clock £12 6 Banister Backd Chairs £1 10s	13	10	

	£.	s.	d.
To one Great Chair 6s 13 old Chairs 13s one Vel Table 15s one Tea ditto 9s	2	3	
To 3 old Tables 8s one Desk 30s one Meal chest 6s one ditto with drawers 10s	2	14	
To one old Chest 6s one Looking glass 15s	1	1	—
To one Featherbed and Furniture in the N. West bedroom below a	5	—	—
To one Feather bed and Furniture Southeast Bed room below	6	—	—
To one ditto and ditto in chamber £3	3		
To one Case Draws 18s one Candle Stool 2s	1	—	—
To one pr. Iron Dogs 5s One pr. hand Irons 12s 2 Trammels 10s	1	7	—
To 2 old Fire Shovels 2 pr. old Tongs 4s Beatles and Wedges 5s one Iron Shovel 1s	—	10	—
To Two old hoes 1s one old large brass kettle 18s one large iron ditto 8s all.	1	7	—
To 3 old Iron Potts 7s 6 2 old dish dittos 2s one bake ditto 3s all		12	
To one flat Bottomed ditto (?) 2s one Tea Kittle 5s 1 Iron Bason 1s		8	
To two Flat Irons 5s 2 Iron Skillets 2s 2 Broad axes one old 9s		16	
To one Post Axe 1s one Carpenters Adz 1s old Scythes 1s 6 one handsaw 4s		7	6
To a quantity old Iron 10s—old Jointer & Plain 2s Old Horse Haims 10s	1	2	
To old Augers Chisel Drawing Knives &c		10	
To 6 Cyder Barels 12s old casks 12s 5 bushells Rice 17s 6 all	2	1	6
To old Diamond Window Glass 5s 2 old Woollen Wheels 2s all	—	7	—
To some poor Clapboards 5s about 45 lb Hogs Lard a 6d	1	7	6
To 2 empty Firkins 3s Earthen Pot, Jug &c 3s		6	—
To 350 Wt Salt Pork a 4d 3 meat barrels 6s	6	2	8
To one wash barrel Vinegar Barrel & Several Firkins all		6	
To Sope Trough 3s one Small Grindstone 2s Hammer and Pincers 2s all		7	
To one old Saddle and 2 old Bridles 6s 2 old poor Linnen Wheels 6s all		12	

	£.	s.	d.
One old Clock Real 2s 2 old candle Sticks 9d 22 Milk trays a 1s other poor Do. 2s	1	6	9
To one cheese Tub 6s one Churn 3s 5 milk pails 5s all		14	
To Cream Bowl, Cheese Basket &c 1s Cheese Press 6s 1 pr. Large Stilliards 10s 1 pr. Small Stilliards 2s		19	
2 Cheese Vatts 2s 6 Case Knives and forks 2s 6		5	
To Sundry Puter Vessels Valued at 24s one Copper Tea kittle 4s all	1	8	
To 3¼ Sheeps wool a 1s 4d — 10 lb Sic. a 4d old Portmanteau 2s		10	
To 3 lb Hatchelled flax a 1s 5 Cotton Wool a 2s 6 one old cart rope 2s		17	6
To one Coarse Hatchell 2s Hogs Hams 70 wt @ 4d	1	5	4
To Sundry old Baskets 2s one Small Arm 24s one old ditto 8s all	1	14	
To 1 pr. Cotton Cards 5s one Sickle 1s 6 old cards 2s 1 old warming pan 2s		8	6
To one case part filled with bottles and other glass bot		9	
To old Box Iron with one heater 1s 6 Earthen ware 2s 6 one Knot Bowl 1s all		5	
To one Silver Kilted Sword 60s one Hanger 6d	3	0	6
To Tea cups Saucers Cups potts Vials, Glasses &c 6s The book called English Liberty 5s		11	
To old Hay Rakes and Pitch Forks 6s old curry comb 3d part of a Seed plow 9s		15	3
To old cart and Wheels Clevis & pin & 2 Rings & Staples all	1	13	
To two draught chains 12s 2 Swine a 2s	4	4	
To 4 Cows	5	18	
To one Bull 54s one 3yr. old colt £9 one yearling Ditto £4 10	16	4	0
To about 40 Cords of wood for burning Lime 6s pr Cd	12	0	0
To 2 old Sheep & one Lamb 13s one Inch and ½ Auger 3s Iron Fetters 1s 6		17	6
To 2 Cows at George Bakers @ 14 Dollars ea	8	8	

	£.	s.	d.
To about 70 Wt of Butter a 8d 46s 8d.....			
To about 80 Wt. Scum Cheese @ 2d 13s 6	3	0	2
The whole amounting to.....	£429	19	7

Witness :

STEPHEN WHIPPLE.
SYLVANUS SAYLES.
DANL MOWRY."

The widow of Col. Elisha Mowry lived more than thirty years after the death of her husband. She died Feb. 21, 1823, aged 85 years. The following notice of her death appeared in the *Providence Journal*, Monday morning, Feb. 24.

"Died in Smithfield, on Friday evening last, after a short illness, much and deservedly lamented, Mrs. Phebe Mowry, relict of the late Col. Elisha Mowry, in the eighty-sixth year of her age. She was a tender and exemplary wife and mother, a sincere and disinterested friend, a worthy and obliging neighbor. She enjoyed the affection, friendship, and respect of all with whom she was connected in the various relations in life; and possessing a strong and vigorous mind, she displayed on the bed of death a resignation to the divine will that evinced her hope of a blessed immortality beyond the grave."

55. ALICE (or ALSE) MOWRY, daughter of Joseph, born Nov. 5, 1738; married a man by the name of SMITH. Nothing further is known of the family.

57. JEREMIAH MOWRY, son of Joseph, born March 24, 1742; married July 15, 1781, ELIZABETH MORTON.

CHILDREN.

178. Ruth, b. Feb. 13, 1782.
179. Rachel.
180. Jeremiah, b. May 6, 1786.
181. Morton.
182. Joseph, b. May 25, 1795 ?

Jeremiah Mowry was a sterling man, of much energy and thrift. He lived a long life in his native town, and did much town business.

His farm was an excellent one, a few miles south of Woonsocket. His children all lived to rear families of their own, and some of them large families. His youngest son Joseph had the largest family, and outlived all the rest.

58. JOHN MOWRY, son of Joseph, born Dec. 4, 1743 ; married April 26, 1764, WAITE MOWRY (39), daughter of Elisha.

CHILDREN.

183. Nathaniel, b. May 27, 1765.
184. Eliakim, b. June 28, 1767.
185. Joseph, b. Oct. 14, 1770.
186. John, b. May 20, 1773.
187. Jeremiah.
188. Israel.
189. Welcome.
190. Amasa.

59. AMEY MOWRY, daughter of Joseph, born Dec. 4, 1746 ; married May 15, 1774, PETER ALDRICH, son of Samuel.

60. ELEAZER MOWRY, son of Joseph, born Sept. 5, 1750; married Nov. 27, 1773, EUNICE ALDRICH, daughter of Reuben.

CHILDREN.

191. Margery, b. May 3, 1774.
192. Lydia, b. July 28, 1776.
193. Eunice, b. April 11, 1778.
194. Reuben, b. May 10, 1780.
195. Rhoda, b. Feb. 24, 1783.
196. Phila, b. Feb. 4, 1785 (living in 1874).
197. Ruth, b. Nov. 28, 1786.
198. Robe, b. Oct. 22, 1789; d. June 9, 1874.
199. Eleazer, Jr., b. Sept. 7, 1791.
200. Joseph, b. June 25, 1795.
201. Ezekiel, b. March 4, 1798.
202. Levi, b. Aug. 29, 1800.

61. JOB MOWRY, son of Oliver, called "Flic-an-flaw Job." He lived on the hill west of the "Joseph Mowry House."

CHILDREN.

203. Joab.
204. Ziba.
205. Martha, m. Caleb Remington.
206. Job, m. Anna, daughter of Job.
207. George, d. aged 16.

CHAPTER V.

THE FIFTH GENERATION.

67. ANNA MOWRY, daughter of John, born Nov. 15, 1759; married Sept. 26, 1789, WILLIAM COZZENS.

68. EARL MOWRY, son of John, born April 25, 1762; married [1] in 1784, POLLY GORTON.

CHILDREN.

208. John Potter, born at East Greenwich, R. I.
209. William.
210. Daughter.

Married [2] MARGARET GARDNER. He died Aug. 29, 1818, at East Greenwich, R. I., aged 56. He is reported to have been a man of great physical strength. It is said that he was the most powerful man in the State, in his day.

69. RALPH MOWRY, son of John, born May 28, 1765; not married. In the twenty-third year of his age he sailed for Charleston, S. C., in a small vessel, which was wrecked and lost, July 23, 1788, and all on board perished.

70. SUSANNAH MOWRY, daughter of John, born Dec. 4, 1768; married Sept. 10, 1794, ELISHA BROWN. He was a farmer. She died March 20, 1813, aged 44.

71. RICHARD MOWRY, son of John, born June 12, 1771; married [1] Betsey Holmes. She died Dec. 11, 1822. Married [2] in 1824, Hannah Gates. He was by occupation a farmer. He died in Leyden, Mass. They had no children.

72. JOHN MOWRY, son of John, born May 26, 1773; married Polly Marcy. She was born Aug. 17, 1776. He was a blacksmith, miller, and farmer; and died in 1852, in Leyden, Mass.

CHILDREN.

211. Ralph, b. May 3, 1795.
212. Charles, b. March 27, 1797, in Woodstock, Conn.
213. Eliza.
214. Lucy.
215. Lois.
216. John.
217. Mariah.
217*a*. Mary Ann.
217*b*. William.
217*c*. Clarissa.

These all married, but I have the record of only the first two.

73. GEORGE MOWRY, son of John, born Sept. 24, 1776; married [1] Polly Brown. She died two years after their marriage.

CHILD.

218. George, born 1800; died 1820.

Married [2] Polly Avery.

CHILDREN.

219. John, b. Jan. 27, 1803.
220. Manley, b. June 17, 1805.
221. Polly Maria, b. Feb. 2, 1807.
222. Nathan Avery, b. Aug. —, 1810.
223. David, b. Sept. 7, 1816.
224. Albert Leroy, b. July 9, 1820.

All of whom were born in Leyden, Mass.

George Mowry was an honest, upright, intelligent man, much respected by a wide circle of friends and acquaintances. He was in his younger life a clothier in the town of Leyden, Mass., where he passed his life, his later years as a farmer. He held many offices, town and otherwise. For six sessions he represented his town in the Massachusetts Legislature. He was overseer of the poor and chairman of the board of selectmen and assessors for many years. He was justice of the peace for over twenty years. He died in Leyden, Oct. 25, 1851, at the green old age of 75 yrs. 1 mo. 1 day.

74. WILLIAM MOWRY, son of John, born in Woodstock, Conn., July 27, 1779; married Nov. 14, 1807, LYDIA WHIPPLE, daughter of Job Whipple, of Greenwich, N. Y., formerly of Cumberland, R. I.

CHILDREN.

225. Leroy, b. Aug. 26, 1808.
226. Anna Caroline, b. Oct. 13, 1809.
227. William Henry, b. July 23, 1811.
228. Mary Elizabeth, b. Nov. 21, 1820.

He died March 23, 1845, aged 65 yrs. 7 mos. 24 days. His wife Lydia died Nov. 25, 1870, aged 87 years.

William Mowry was one of the pioneers in American cotton manufacture. Samuel Slater commenced, on a small scale, carding and spinning cotton by machinery propelled by water power, at Pawtucket, R. I., in December, 1790. Early in 1793, what has recently been termed the "Old Mill" was built, and this may be properly termed the first cotton factory in America.

Very soon after Mr. Slater commenced operations at Pawtucket, there came into his employ a young man from his father's farm, in Woodstock, Conn. He was not yet twenty years old, but he was delighted with the hum of machinery. He was at work early and late. He studied the machines; he learned the processes; he saved his wages.

About the year 1800 he left Pawtucket, and the employ of Mr. Slater, and, like many a young man twenty-one years old, *turned his steps westward.* Whether he had ever heard one as wise as Horace Greeley was at a later day, say, "Go west, young man, *go west!*" or not, may not now be known. It is even doubtful if he had read the words, —

"Westward the star of empire takes its way."

But be that as it may, he turned his face towards the setting sun, and struck off into what was then almost a wilderness. And yet that was but a little over seventy-five years ago; and he only went westward to the eastern portion of the great State of New York.

Arriving at a place afterwards named *Greenwich*, in Washington County, he joined himself to a Mr. Job Whipple, and commenced the erection of a cotton mill. Here

it is said they put in operation the first power machinery for spinning cotton in the State of New York.

Like the cotton mills of New England, the business rapidly increased, and in the fall of 1807, Mr. Mowry — for it was he — found himself in circumstances to warrant settling in life, and enjoying the comforts of a home of his own. Accordingly he married Miss Lydia, the daughter of his business associate, Mr. Whipple. They lived happily together many years, and had the satisfaction of seeing their four children, two sons and two daughters, married, and pleasantly settled in comfortable circumstances.

In 1816 Mr. Mowry visited England, and after his return introduced new and improved machinery for the manufacture of cotton cloth. It is believed that he caused to be built for him, and put into operation, the *first double speeder* in America. This was about the year 1816 or 17. The extracts quoted below are from an article published in the *Greenwich* (N. Y.) *Journal*, November, 1874.

"The names of Samuel Slater and William Mowry were among the most distinguished manufacturers and capitalists in this country. It will be remembered that Mr. Mowry was, at an early period, employed by Mr. Slater as an assistant in the manufacture of cotton cloth, at Pawtucket, R. I., where Mr. Slater erected the first valuable machinery, and spun yarn to make the first cotton cloth in America; and by their superintendence and direction, as well as by intense labor, erected the first cotton mill in Rhode Island, which was the first in the land of Pilgrims. And well might they be styled the fathers of American manufactures.

"Mr. Mowry was by nature inclined to be a manufac-

turer, for he could not rest contented without being within hearing of the buzz of the spindles, which was music in his ears, and he continued in the employ of Mr. Slater until he became thoroughly acquainted with the business, when he made a moderate and courteous request to be admitted as a partner in the concern, which proposition was peremptorily rejected as a presumptuous daring on the part of Mr. Mowry, who preferring to be his own master, and the manufacturer of his own fortune, resigned his subordinate situation, and came on to Greenwich, then called Whipple City, in company with Mr. Job Whipple, who held the control of a fine water power there, and had driven his own team all the way to Rhode Island, in search of some competent person to join with him in carryingon the manufacturing business, where he had previously erected a flouring mill, — the inhabitants of the village having named it Whipple City, after the erection of the mill, in his honor.

"Mr. Whipple had such implicit confidence in the integrity and ability of Mr. Mowry to erect and carry on successfully a cotton mill, that he proposed to sell him one half his interest in the water power, and join him in erecting a new mill, and agreed to let him have his daughter, Lydia, in the bargain, she being a model housekeeper, adorned with every Christian grace, to render his new home cheerful and happy; he did not hesitate a moment in having the nuptial ceremony performed, thus securing a precious jewel for a companion through life. Mr. Slater, having been advised through some source that Mr. Mowry was about to erect a cotton mill at Whipple City, addressed a letter to him, offering to admit him as a partner in his manufacturing business upon almost any terms he might suggest, on condition he would abandon the project of erecting a cotton mill at Whipple City. Mr. Slater had evidently become alarmed lest he might lose the monopoly

in this country of manufacturing cotton fabrics unless he could by some means persuade Mr. Mowry to abandon his present scheme, and accept his proposition and return to Pawtucket. Mr. Slater had no one to censure but himself, for Mr. Mowry had always acted honorably towards him, but had then too deep an interest at stake with Mr. Whipple to accede to his proposition.

"After the completion of the new mill, and running it successfully during the war with Great Britian, Mr. Mowry conceived the idea that some improvements might be perfected in his machinery by personally visiting some of the cotton mills in England. He made his arrangements accordingly, and repaired to New York, taking with him, as travelling companion, Mr. Wild, of Hudson, an ingenious machinist, who could manufacture anything, from a cambric needle to a steam-engine. They embarked on the 9th of July, 1816, on board the packet ship 'South Carolina,' Captain Babcock, bound for Liverpool, where they safely arrived in twenty-three days' passage. They were courteously received, and treated with great attention. But when travelling through the manufacturing districts they met with great difficulty in gaining access to the mills. Their applications for admittance were invariably rejected. They finally resolved to take the hazard of being ejected, by entering one of the large mills without applying for permission. In doing so, they came to a door over which was a written notice, 'Positively, no admittance'; but notwithstanding, they fearlessly entered the room, where they were delighted at discovering the double speeder in full operation, with every spinner's eye turned upon them; but they were not to be daunted, for they proceeded at once to examine the machine. But when the overseer entered the room, and lost no time in hustling them to the door in double-quick time, Mr. Mowry began to despair, but Mr. Wild assured him that he could unmis-

takably manufacture a similar machine. They returned to London after achieving the chief object of their voyage.

"On their return to the United States, Mr. Wild set his clear brain at work manufacturing the machine, and in due time succeeded in fulfilling his promise, in turning out a perfect double speeder, which Mr. Mowry immediately placed in his mill, and set in successful operation. The people were so elated at this news, that they by acclamation exempted the mill from taxation, and Mr. Mowry from military and jury services. When this news reached England, it aroused the jealous feeling of the manufacturers, whose bitterness of feeling towards us had been engendered by the late war in 1812, and which at that time had scarcely subsided. In their frenzy, they concocted a diabolical scheme to destroy the life of one of our estimable citizens, by means of an infernal machine, which was marked and directed to the person who first introduced the double speeder in America.

"The machine was sent as freight, on board one of our packet ships then lying at the dock in London, bound for New York, where she safely arrived.

"Fortunately, when discharging her cargo, the machine slipped from the car-hook, and fell with a crash upon the wharf, causing it to explode without injury to any person. Thus exploded an infamous plot, designed to assassinate a worthy American citizen.

"Mr. Mowry seldom alluded to the affair, or conversed with his friends upon the subject."

75. JAMES MOWRY, son of John, born July 26, 1783; married in Pomfret, Conn., Sept. 27, 1804, LYDIA WEBSTER.

CHILDREN.

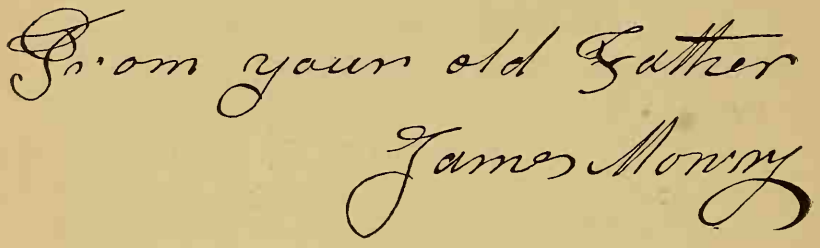
229. Lucius Potter, b. Oct. 12, 1805, in Guilford, Vt.
230. James W., b. April 20, 1808, in Guilford, Vt.

231. William Pitt, b. May 5, 1809, in Guilford, Vt.
232. Lydia, b. June 23, 1811, in Guilford, Vt.; died Oct. 14, 1844.
233. Nelson, b. Nov. 19, 1813, in Guilford, Vt.
234. Ann, b. Aug. 24, 1820, in Leyden, Mass.
235. George, b. April 22, 1825, in Leyden, Mass.; died young.

James Mowry was the youngest son of John Mowry, who died of apoplexy, when James was sixteen years of age. Previous to the death of John, he had "paid off," as James used to say, his older boys, and had intended that James should live at home, as he was the youngest, and inherit the homestead. As no charges were made against such as had been paid, and no will or deed was made, the law took the property and made an equal division to all the legal heirs. James, therefore, went as apprentice to the tanning, currying, and shoemaking trade. About the time he was of age, he was married to Lydia Webster, and took up his residence in the southern part of Guilford, Vt. Here he bought a house, built a tannery and shoemaker's shop, and worked at his trade for ten or fifteen years. At this place most of his family were born, and while living here, he and his wife embraced religion, and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church. His house from that time became a home for all itinerant Methodist ministers who came into that circuit. Though in indigent circumstances, he was an upright man, respected by the community in which he lived, a good husband, an excellent father, and a consist ent Christian. From about 1818 he was a farmer, residing first in Leyden, Mass., and afterwards in Guilford, Vt. He was of a cheerful disposition, always happy when sur-

rounded by his friends, especially those of his own family. He died at the home of his son-in-law, Horace W. Linde, and was interred in the public ground, in Guilford, Vt., where a stone is erected to his memory.

Below is given a fac-simile of his handwriting.



Since Chapter IV was in type, the names of the children of Preserved and Martha (27) Harris have been found, as mentioned in the will of Uriah Mowry, their grandfather. They are: Israel, Rufus, Nathan, Jesse, Nathaniel, Lydia, Elnathan.

Preserved and Martha were married April 26, 1744.

76. HULDAH MOWRY, daughter of Stephen, born Oct. 16, 1762; married June 18, 1789, DUTEE SMITH, son of Daniel Smith, of Smithfield, R. I.

CHILDREN.

Seneca.
Mowry.
Alvah.
Huldah; m. Ahaz Mowry.

77. CHARLOTTE MOWRY, daughter of Stephen, born Oct. 7, 1763; married Jan. 7, 1785, CHARLES SAYLES, son of Capt. Sylvanus Sayles, of Smithfield, R. I.

CHILDREN.

Martha, b. Jan. 6, 1786.
Mowry, b. June 12, 1788.

They lived at the place known as the "Doctor Fowler place," in Smithfield.

78. AARON MOWRY, son of Stephen, born March 3, 1765; married MARY SAYLES. She was born Feb. 16, 1769; died Feb. 2, 1861, aged 92. He died May 15, 1849, aged 84.

CHILDREN.

236. Anne, b. Nov. 6, 1789.
237. Russell, b. Sept. 30, 1791.
238. Sayles, b. Oct. 18, 1793.
239. Charles, b. Aug. 12, 1795.
240. Stephen, b. Feb. 14, 1798.
241. Cyrene, b. Aug. 7, 1800.
242. Thomas J., b. Sept. 8, 1804.
243. Huldah, b. Oct. 18, 1809.
244. Mary, b. July 25, 1813; not married.

He was a farmer, and lived near Greenville, R. I.

79. WANTON MOWRY, son of Stephen, born May 18, 1767; married MARY MOWRY, daughter of Philip. She was born Feb. 20, 1768.

CHILDREN.

245. Duty; died in infancy.
246. Polly.
247. Charlotte, b. Feb. 13, 1794.
248. Sarah, b. 1796.
249. Ruth, b. Dec. 23, 1798.
250. Samuel S.

251. Alanson.
252. Lydia; died young.
253. Stephen; not married.

Wanton Mowry was a farmer, and lived and died in South Uxbridge. His house was built of brick, and his farm was on the old road, about a mile west of the village of Ironstone.

80. MARY MOWRY, daughter of Stephen, born April 2, 1770; married July 2, 1789, SIMON THORNTON, son of Richard.

CHILDREN.

Mansa; died in 1877.
Mary Ann; m. Winsor Mowry.
Julia; m. Aaron Smith.

81. URANAH MOWRY, daughter of Stephen, born Aug. 26, 1772; married Jan. 20, 1791, SAMUEL SMITH, son of John Smith, Esq., of Glocester. No children.

82. BENEDICT MOWRY, son of Stephen, born Sept. 23, 1777; married Jan. 17, 1799, PHEBE MOWRY, daughter of David.

CHILDREN.

254. Simon; died.
255. Fenner.
256. Phebe Amey.

Benedict lived in Smithfield, R. I.

83. AMASA MOWRY, son of Stephen, born April 7, 1779; married JOANNA BARTLETT. He died May 3, 1850, aged 71 years. She died Jan. 7, 1855, aged 75 years.

CHILDREN.

257. Caleb B.; died Feb. 29, 1864, aged 59.
258. Elisha S.
259. Amey.
260. Willard A.
261. Charles, b. Dec. 17, 1812.
262. William S.
263. Amasa.

Amasa Mowry lived for many years before his death in South Uxbridge, about one mile south of the village of Ironstone. He was a farmer.

84. STEPHEN MOWRY, son of Stephen, born Sept. 7, 1781; married ALPHA CHASE, daughter of Barney Chase, of Smithfield.

CHILDREN.

264. Smith Ray, b. Aug. 13, 1808.
265. Uranah Paine, b. Sept. —, 1814; died, aged 14 years.

Stephen Mowry was a farmer, and lived on an excellent farm, about a mile south of Sayles's Hill, in Smithfield, R. I.

86. DAVID MOWRY, son of Gideon; married [1] AMEY ——.

CHILDREN.

266. Silence.
267. Phebe.
268. ——.

Married [2] ELIZABETH ——.

CHILDREN.

269. Esther.
270. Susanna.

87. JESSE MOWRY, son of Gideon.

CHILD.

271. Thankful (?).

88. SMITH MOWRY, son of Gideon, born Aug. 25, 1781; married [1] SARAH SMITH, daughter of John Smith, Esq., of Burrillville, R. I. He died April 27, 1852, in his 71st year.

CHILDREN.

272. Scott W., b. July 7, 1808.
273. Mary Ann, b. July 30, 1810.
274. Brown, b. May 17, 1812.
275. Marcelia, b. March 9, 1815; died April 14, 1818.

Married [2] MAHALA EDWARDS, of Glocester.

CHILDREN.

276. Jackson Edwards, b. July, 1818.
277. Emily, b. 1820; not married.
278. Daniel S., b. 1822; not married; died 1853.
279. Ann, b. 1824.
280. Checkley A., b. 1826.
281. Sarah, b. about 1828.
282. Albert, b. about 1830.

Smith Mowry was a farmer and mill-wright, and lived in Glocester, R. I. He was a man of ability and good character, and brought up a large family of children, who have made for themselves an honorable record. He was captain of a militia company in the war of 1812; and was a prominent man in Glocester for many years.

89. GIDEON MOWRY, son of Gideon, born in 1776.

CHILD.

283. Waterman, b. 1795.

90. URIAH MOWRY, son of Gideon, born in 1760; married —— HAWKINS, of Glocester.

CHILDREN.

284. Urania.
285. Jencks.
286. William, born Sept. 1797.
287. Uriah.
288. Rachel.
289. Susan.
290. Lydia.
291. Stephen.
292. Gideon.
293. Amey.

91. THANKFUL MOWRY, daughter of Gideon; married JOSHUA KIMBALL.

92. DORCAS MOWRY, daughter of Gideon; married JEREMIAH YOUNG, a prominent man from Sterling, Conn.

93. MARTHA MOWRY, daughter of Gideon; married Dec. 9, 1784, RICHARD BURLINGAME, son of David.

96. ROBERT MOWRY, son of Gideon; was killed by being suffocated by a falling sand bank, when he was about 18 years of age.

100. REBECCA MOWRY, daughter of Doctor Jonathan, born Feb. 9, 1770; married BERNARD FOWLER, of Northbridge, Mass. She died Feb. 6, 1805, aged 35 years.

CHILDREN.

Mary; m. Shadrach Steere.
Robert; m. Permela McManary.

Willis; not married.
Phebe; m. Timothy McManary.
Caleb; not married.
Samuel.

This was a very respectable family. They lived in Northbridge, Mass.

101. CALEB MOWRY, son of Doctor Jonathan, born March 5, 1771; married March 10, 1796, NANCY MOWRY, daughter of David. He died March 31, 1814.

CHILDREN.

294. Jesse, b. June 4, 1796; died, aged 3 or 4 years.
295. Dutee, b. Feb. 14, 1798.
296. Uranah, b. May 22, 1800.
297. Barney, b. May 3, 1804.

His widow Nancy married Eliakim Mowry (No. 184).

102. ANNA MOWRY, daughter of Doctor Jonathan, born Feb. 4, 1773; married JOHN COOPER, of Burrillville. She died Aug. 18, 1823, aged 50 years.

CHILDREN.

Job.
Mary.

103. ROBERT MOWRY, son of Doctor Jonathan, born Dec. 2, 1774; married MARY ALDRICH, daughter of Thomas. He died Oct. 30, 1814, aged nearly 40. She died Feb. 1, 1848, aged 67.

CHILDREN.

298. Martha, b. in 1798.
299. Laura; died, aged 14.

300. Thomas; died, aged 12.
301. George A., b. April 19, 1804.
302. Diana, b. March 22, 1807.
303. Susan.
304. Robert.
305. Mary.

105. ABIGAIL MOWRY, daughter of Doctor Jonathan, born March 30, 1780; married DANIEL INMAN, of Smithfield, R. I.

CHILDREN.

Irena, b. Oct. 12, 1803; died, aged 17.
Urania, b. June 16, 1805; m. Benj. Wheeler.
Lucy, b. May 26, 1808; not married; died in 1839.
Daniel, b. Dec. 10, 1810; m. Mary Saunders; died Jan. 22, 1857.
Anna, b. Feb. 20, 1813; not married; practising physician in Providence, R. I.
Deborah, b. April 7, 1815; m. Albert Kelley.
Jonathan, b. May 23, 1818; m. Alice Bradford.
Abigail, b. April 17, 1820; m. Geo. B. Wheeler.
Thomas, b. Aug. 9, 1822; m. Mary Allen.

This was a very respectable and worthy family, members of the Society of Friends. They lived near Slatersville, R. I.

106. DORCAS MOWRY, daughter of Doctor Jonathan, born May 6, 1782; married CALEB PAINE.

CHILDREN.

Senter. Arnold.
Millie. Caleb.
Mary; died young. Dorcas.
Anna.

Caleb Paine lived in Smithfield, R. I.

107. URANIA MOWRY, daughter of Doctor Jonathan, born June 21, 1785; married Dec. 1, 1803, AMASA ALDRICH, son of Levi.

CHILDREN.

Levi.	Alanson.
Verry.	Desire.
Mowry.	Urania.
Robert.	Jashub.

Infant.

Amasa Aldrich lived in Smithfield, R. I.

109. DEBORAH MOWRY, daughter of Doctor Jonathan, born Oct. 6, 1789; married Oct. 27, 1808, EPHRAIM COE, son of John, Smithfield, R. I. She died Jan. 17, 1857, in her 68th year.

CHILDREN.

Anna, b. Nov. 27, 1809.
Emor, b. March 24, 1812.
Rebecca, b. March 27, 1814.
Infant, b. Feb. 24, 1816.
John, b. Oct. 30, 1817.
Sarah P., b. Dec. 24, 1819.
Martin, b. Oct. 30, 1821.
Juliette, b. Feb. 16, 1824.
William E., b. April 24, 1828.

Ephraim Coe was a very respectable man, a member of the Society of Friends. They lived in Woonsocket, R. I.

111. ELISHA MOWRY, son of Israel, born Oct. 2, 1770; married.

CHILDREN.

306. Sabina.
307. Hethgot M.

308. James B.
309. Israel.
310. Molly (?).

Elisha Mowry moved to Madison, N. Y., about the year 1831. Previous to 1843 he went farther west, and settled in Michigan. He carried a barberry bush from Uxbridge, Mass., to Madison, N. Y. This was the first introduction of the barberry in that section of the country. It grew and spread as usual. He sold his farm in Madison to Noah Washburn, who many times afterwards wished that Elisha had taken his barberry bush with him to Michigan. Wheat would not grow in its presence.

112. ARNOLD MOWRY, son of Israel, born Oct. 17, 1772; married OLIVE BROWN, daughter of Aaron Brown, Uxbridge, Mass. He died May 26, 1851, aged 78. She died March 30, 1851, aged 72.

CHILDREN.

311. Gardner, b. Sept 13, 1805.
312. Maria, b. June 10, 1808.
313. Josiah, b. May 15, 1812.

Arnold Mowry was a respectable farmer in the eastern part of Uxbridge, Mass., near the Mendon line.

114. ALCY MOWRY, daughter of Israel, born April 25, 1775; married April 27, 1796, OBADIAH WOOD, son of Solomon Wood, of Uxbridge. She died March 19, 1859, aged 84.

CHILDREN.

Susannah, b. Jan. 13, 1797; died Sept. 29, 1798.
Waitee, b. Oct. 21, 1798.

Lewis, b. Nov. 24, 1800.
Mary, b. March 15, 1803.
Harriet, b. July 15, 1805.
Hannah, b. Dec. 14, 1807; died June 27, 1855.
Obadiah, b. Aug. 1, 1811; died July 29, 1852.
Perry, b. Nov. 2, 1813.
Austin, b. Aug. 10, 1817.

Mr. Wood was a man of much mechanical skill. He lived in Mendon, near the Uxbridge line.

115. MARY MOWRY, daughter of Israel, born March 4, 1777, in Uxbridge; married Jan. 15, 1800, GRINDALL RAWSON, son of Joel, of Uxbridge. She died Oct. 25, 1874, aged 97.

CHILD.

Alcy, b. Aug. 23, 1812; m. Timothy Ellis, Jr.

116. ANNA MOWRY, daughter of Israel, born Sept. 30, 1779; married BENJAMIN THWING, of Uxbridge.

CHILDREN.

Albert.	Sarah.
Benjamin.	Anna.
Susan.	Hannah.
Charles.	Minerva.
Almon.	Elsey.
Mary.	Amy.

Sylvia.

117. CALEB MOWRY, son of Israel, born March 3, 1783; married [1] April 25, 1802, POLLY HAYWARD, daughter of Jonathan Hayward, of Upton, Mass. He died May 16, 1845, aged 62, at Halifax. She died Feb. 20, 1805, aged 21.

CHILDREN.

314. Caleb, Jr., b. March 5, 1803.
315. Polly, b. Oct. 11, 1804; died Oct. 14, 1804.

Married [2] Sept. 13, 1813, CLARINDA TAFT, daughter of Frederick Taft, of Uxbridge. She was born Feb. 28, 1789.

CHILDREN.

316. Emily, b. Oct. 13, 1814, in Mendon.
317. Decatur, b. Sept. 30, 1816, in Mendon.
318. Bainbridge, b. July 23, 1818, in Mendon.
319. Albert, b. April 20, 1822, in Mendon.
320. Reuben Rawson, b. April 5, 1826, in Mendon.
321. Anna Rawson, b, Sept. 13, 1827, in Mendon.
322. Wesley, b. May 26, 1830, in Uxbridge; died Aug. 11, 1833, in Millville.

118. SARAH MOWRY, daughter of Israel, born March 3, 1783; married SAMUEL TAFT, Uxbridge.

CHILDREN.

Israel.	Clyrena.
Susan.	Sarah.
Anne.	Frederick.
Polly.	Waity.
Abigail.	Perley.

Calista.

119. WAITEE MOWRY, daughter of Israel; married JESSE WOOD, of Mendon.

CHILDREN.

Zalmon G., b. 1812.
Hannah C., b. 1814.
L. Edwin, b. 1816; died in 1841.
Samuel Warren, b. 1818; died in 1849.

122. AMEY MOWRY, daughter of Israel; married DAVID MOWRY. No children.

123. ROBERT MOWRY, son of Israel; married PAULINA FISHER, of Medway.

CHILD.

323. Abbie.

125. CYNTHIA MOWRY, daughter of Uriah, born in Glocester, R. I., in 1784; married EPHRAIM PAINE. She died April 2, 1861, aged 76 yrs. 11 mos.

CHILDREN.

Nelson.
William M. } twins.
Waity M. }
Mercy.
Ephraim.
Ruth.
Marvin M. } twins.
Mary Ann M. }

This family lived in Northbridge, Mass.

126. SALLY MOWRY, daughter of Uriah; married EDMUND LEE, of Vermont. No information has been received of this family.

127. URIAH MOWRY, JR., son of Uriah; married [1] RUTH BOWEN. They lived in Burrillville, R. I.

CHILD.

324. Alfred.

Married [2] FREELOVE SMITH, daughter of Obed, of Glocester. They had one child, a daughter. Uriah died at Chepachet, R. I.

128. ALZADA MOWRY, daughter of Uriah; married [1] ISAAC BOWEN, of Scituate.

Married [2] JOHN SPRAGUE, of Glocester. He was a dealer in stock. She died in Glocester. It is not known whether they had children.

129. REBECCA MOWRY, daughter of Uriah; married ELISHA TAFT, of Burrillville. No knowledge of this family.

130. JOANNA MOWRY, daughter of Uriah; married SAMUEL ROSS, of Burrillville. We have no information of this family.

131. GEORGE MOWRY, son of Uriah; married, and went to Killingly, Conn. He was a house-carpenter by trade.

132. PATIENCE MOWRY, daughter of Uriah; married LYMAN BARNES, Glocester. She died in Glocester.

134. BARTON MOWRY, son of Uriah; married RUTH WALKER.

CHILDREN.

326. Sylvester.
327. Harley.
328. Origen.
329. Analdo.

He lived in Burrillville in his early life, but emigrated to California. He was a stone-mason by trade. He became wealthy, and died in San Francisco, about 1871.

135. ADAH MOWRY, daughter of Abiel, born Oct. 30, 1788; married AMOS IDE. She died in Ohio.

CHILDREN.

Amos.	Rosella.	Henry.	Benjamin.
Albert.	Emily.	Levi.	Minerva.

136. PATIENCE MOWRY, daughter of Abiel, born July 21, 1790; married CYRUS OLNEY, North Providence.

CHILDREN.

Maranda.	Cyrus.	Augustus.
Sullivan.	Edward W.	Catharine J.
Pamela.	Ira.	Samuel.

137. DAN MOWRY, son of Abiel, born April 14, 1792; married [1] MARY ANGELL, widow of William Angell.

CHILDREN.

330. Eliza.
331. Orin.
332. Mary.

Married [2] FANNY SMITH. No children.

Married [3] —— ——. No children.

He died in March, 1875 (?), in Northbridge.

138. ABIEL MOWRY, JR., son of Abiel, born Feb. 7, 1794; married in 1819, LYDIA KIMBALL. She was born Aug. 15, 1796; died Dec. 9, 1876, aged 80. He died April 21, 1861, aged 67 years.

CHILDREN.

333. Edwin W., b. Sept. 21, 1820.
334. Prusha Ann, b. Aug. 30, 1822.
335. Tillinghast, b. Nov 20, 1824.
336. Almira, b. March 21, 1828.
337. George, b. Sept. 20, 1833.

Lived in Smithfield, R. I., and was a farmer.

139. TABATHA MOWRY, daughter of Abiel, born Aug. 2, 1797 ; married Rufus Williams, of Burrillville.

CHILDREN.

Paulina ; m. Slater Colwell.
Gilbert ; died in the army.

141. SUSAN MOWRY, daughter of Abiel, born June 4, 1800 ; married John Harris, son of Welcome, of Smithfield.

CHILDREN.

Smith ; went to California.
Rufus ; lost at sea.

142. LIAMI MOWRY, daughter of Abiel, born April 13, 1803 ; married March 13, 1823, David Harris, son of Welcome, of Smithfield.

CHILDREN.

Manton. Abby.
Crawford. Susan.
Emily.

143. RUTH MOWRY, daughter of Abiel, born Nov. 13, 1805 ; married Verry Aldrich, son of Amasa.

CHILDREN.

Burgess. Oliver.

They live in Arispe, Bureau Co., Ill. He is a farmer, and has an orchard of 2,700 apple-trees.

144. ESEK MOWRY, son of Abiel, born Jan. 18, 1808 ; married March 15, 1863, Marcy G. Knight, daughter of Benjamin. She died Dec. 4, 1871.

CHILD.

338. Lafayette E., b. May 24, 1864.

He lives on the family homestead, near Georgiaville, R. I.

144½. ANGELINE MOWRY, daughter of Abiel, born May 18, 1813; married JOHN ADAMS, of Smithfield.

CHILDREN.

Ann Frances.	Henry.	Melissa.
John.	Herbert.	Esek Henry.
Julia.	Mary.	Abner.

They lived near Greenville Turnpike.

145. WINDSOR MOWRY, son of Henry, born March 31, 1795; married ELIZA HOLMES. He lived in Mendon, near Uxbridge. Died Jan. 14, 1861, aged nearly 66. No children.

146. GEORGE MOWRY, son of Henry; married MARY ANN THORNTON, daughter of Simon.

CHILD.

339. Uranah.

He lived in Mendon. He died October, 1871.

147. HENRY MOWRY, JR., son of Henry, born March 10, 1802, in Mendon; married Nov. 12, 1839, SARAH W. DAVIS, daughter of Capt. Christopher Davis, of Westport, Mass.

CHILD.

340. Louisa Elvina, b. Sept. 30, 1840, in Providence.

He was a boot and shoe merchant in Charleston, S. C., six years, and subsequently in Providence, R. I., fourteen

years. In 1853 he removed to Crawfordsville, Ind. Here he kept a hotel. After this he lived in Upton, Mass., half a dozen years; then in Northbridge and Mendon; and is now residing, a hale old man of 76 years, with his daughter, Mrs. Lovewell, in Providence.

149. FANNY MOWRY, daughter of Henry; married GEORGE PRENTICE, of Millville.

CHILD.

Mowry.

He lives in Douglas, Mass.

150. CHLOE MOWRY, daughter of Henry; married Aug. 4, 1822, WELCOME A. COMSTOCK, son of Isaac, of Smithfield. They are both dead.

CHILDREN.

Elisha, b. June 1, 1823.
Metcalf, b. Dec. 21, 1825.
Amanda Mariah, b. Feb. 1, 1829; dead.

151. AMEY MOWRY, daughter of Henry; married May 6, 1835, SETH PARTRIDGE, of Galena, Ill.

CHILDREN.

Henry Mowry, b. Sept. 4, 1836; died Nov. 3, 1836.
Emma Anna, b. March 1, 1839.

152. TYLER MOWRY, son of Jeremiah, born Feb. 26, 1792; married March 16, 1815, URANAH SAYLES, daughter of Jonathan, of Smithfield. She was born Nov. 24, 1794.

CHILDREN.

341. Sarah Ann, b. Sept. 17, 1815; not married; died 1876.

342. Jackson Potter, b. April 26, 1821.
343. Frances Emily, b. Jan. 24, 1829.

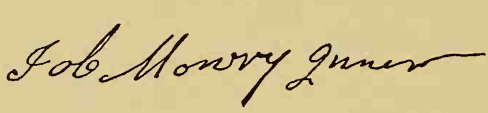
Tyler Mowry was a farmer in Smithfield for many years. He lived upon the homestead, on the northwest slope of Sayles's Hill, a beautiful spot, cultivating an excellent farm, which commanded one of the finest prospects; and here he died about 1852 or 3.

153. JOB MOWRY, son of Lawyer Joseph, born Jan. 24, 1744, in Smithfield; married HANNAH SMITH, widow of Nathaniel Smith, who was brother of "Jeems Smith the Miller." Her maiden name was Appleby. He died Jan. 11, 1803.

CHILDREN.

344. Nathaniel, b. June 23, 1772.
345. Dorcas, b. Oct. 3, 1774.
346. Ephraim, b. Dec. 23, 1777.
347. Anne, b. Dec. 1, 1784.

A fac-simile of his autograph is here given.



Job was known as "Job the Royal Sawyer," to distinguish him from "Flic-an-flaw Job." He was a prominent man in his native town for many years. He was constable for a long period. He lived on the home place, in the house built by Lawyer Joseph, his father. Besides his farm, he run the saw-mill near by; and this, with his town business, constable, tax collector, and town sergeant, made him a busy man. He was a man of sterling integrity, reliable, and of good judgment.

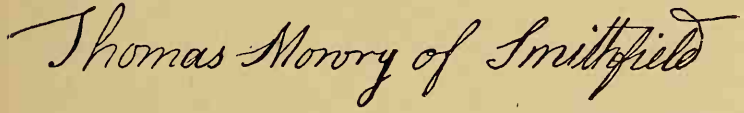
154. THOMAS MOWRY, son of Lawyer Joseph, born March 15, 1746–47; married RHODA ALDRICH.

CHILDREN.

348. Thomas.
349. Jared.
350. Havilah, b. Nov. 1776.
351. Cyrus.
352. Polly.
353. Rhoda.
354. Phebe.

Thomas Mowry was a man of intelligence and enterprise. He was a good penman; taught school; married young, and moved to Scituate. His wife was Rhoda Aldrich, a young Quakeress of Scituate. When they were married is uncertain, but it was prior to 1774, for he and his wife *Rhoda Mowry* signed as witnesses the marriage certificate of his brother Richard in January of that year. He built a house on "Chipmuck Hill," and painted it red. During the Revolution he raised a liberty pole, from which the British vessels in Newport Harbor could be seen. In 1813 he moved to Killingly, Conn., and afterwards to New York State. He brought up a family of children, some of whom it is known have attained an honorable position for themselves and their children.

The following is a fac-simile of his handwriting, when he was a young man about twenty years of age.



Of the children of Thomas and their families, we have been able to rescue only the record of Havilah and his descendants.

155. RICHARD MOWRY, son of Lawyer Joseph, born Feb. 11, 1748–9; married [1] May 6, 1770, PHEBE SMITH, of Glocester. She was born April 28, 1750. She died May 2, 1771, aged 21 years. No children.

Married [2] Jan. 5, 1774, HULDAH HARRIS, daughter of Gideon Harris, of Scituate. She was born May 25, 1745. She died Sept. 1, 1795, aged 50 years.

CHILDREN.

355. Huldah, b. Dec. 30, 1775, in Scituate, R. I.
356. Gideon, b. July 7, 1778, in Uxbridge.
357. Phebe, b. Aug. 6, 1780, in Uxbridge.
358. Waite, b. Feb. 4, 1783, in Uxbridge.
359. Amey, b. Feb. 2, 1785, in Uxbridge.
360. Sarah, b. Aug. 14, 1788, in Uxbridge.

Married [3] ISABEL CHACE, Nov. 5, 1800. She was born Sept. 19, 1760; died Oct. —, 1820, aged 60. No children.

Richard Mowry died in Uxbridge, Jan. 23, 1835, aged nearly 86 years.

It has already been shown that Richard's father, Lawyer Joseph, died when he was in his sixteenth year. Before his father's death, he went away from home to earn his living. We soon find him in Scituate, R. I., apprenticed to learn the carpenter's trade. In 1770 he married Phebe Smith, of Glocester. She died in a little less than a year after their marriage. They had no children. In January, 1774, he married Huldah Harris, daughter of Gideon Harris, of Scituate.

Gideon Harris was born March 16, 1714. His wife's name was Demaris Westcott. He was son of Thomas Harris, 3d, born Aug. 19, 1665. Thomas married Philis Brown; died Sept. 1, 1741.

Thomas was son of Thomas Harris, 2d, who was an original proprietor in Providence and Pawtucket; he died Feb. 27, 1710. He and his father, Thomas Harris, 1st, have already been mentioned in connection with Jonathan Harris, who married the widow of Lawyer Joseph.

The children of Gideon Harris were, —

Waity, not married.
Tabatha, m. Andrew Angell.
Huldah, m. Richard Mowry.
Thomas, lived in New York State.
Asahel, m. Naomi Winsor.
John, m. Nancy Arnold.
Charles, m. [1] Mary Fenner; afterwards m. [2] another Mary Fenner.

Huldah was the mother of Richard's children. She died in 1795, aged 50 years.

In 1800 Richard married for his third wife, Isabel Chace, a woman of great worth, mentally and morally. They lived happily together for twenty-one years, when she died. She was the daughter of Jonathan and Mary (Earle) Chace. He was the son of Job and Patience (Bourne) Chace. He was the son of Joseph and Sarah (Shearman) Chace. He was the son of William, who was born in England about 1622. He was the son of William and Mary Chace, who came over with Gov. "Wynthrop" in 1630.

In his youth he learned the "house-carpenter's trade." After working at that trade for some years, and having joined the Quakers, and married Huldah Harris, sometime between 1775 and 1778, he moved to South Uxbridge,

Mass. Here in the spring of 1778 he bought a farm of Mr. Benjamin Archer, who had originally taken up the land, and had built a small house upon it. This house being small, old, and inconvenient, Richard immediately set to work to build a new one. The cellar of a large house was dug, the cellar walls laid up from rough stone taken from the farm, the timber for the frame cut and hewed, the frame raised, the house covered, shingled, and clapboarded, and he moved in about the 1st of July. And a very large part of this work was done with his own hands. Here, in the new house, his only son Gideon was born, July 7, 1778. To one only acquainted with the houses of a later period this dwelling would appear singular indeed. It is still standing, though a hundred years old, and is in very good condition, with not only the same frame, still strong and sound, but the same floors, the same doors, and the same interior finish throughout. The inside doors were made with his own hands, and hung upon wooden hinges, and with wooden latches and wooden latch-knobs all of his own make. The original house, since enlarged, consisted of a living room, a "great room," or parlor, three bedrooms, and appropriate entries, stairways, and closets. The "great room" was never painted during his life-time, but the pine doors of the natural color of the wood, the floors scrupulously white and clean, with the old-fashioned large fire-place, and mats and rugs upon the floor, presented a very neat and pretty appearance.

In this house, with a "summer kitchen" added to the west end, and subsequently two rooms to the east end, he spent all the remainder of his life, nearly fifty-seven years.

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RICHARD MOWRY HOUSE,

UXBRIDGE, MASS.

1778.

He was not only a successful farmer and a skillful house-carpenter, but an expert with all edged tools, which he used for various special purposes. He was an ingenious cabinet-maker, an excellent carriage-builder, and for many years supplied a large section of the country with the great timbers and wooden screws used in the old-fashioned *cider-press*. This really was an ingenious trade by itself, and required no small skill to make the thread of those large wooden screws, and fit them to the thread of the huge nuts into which they were to be fitted, which formed the great press which was to extract the juice from the ground apples.

The large carryall which he used for many of the last years of his life, and which was fitted for two horses or one, was made throughout by his own hands. I have seen a wooden high-backed rocking-chair, *still in constant use at this day*, which was made by him, and presented to his second daughter in the early part of this century. It is now used by his grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and great-great-grandchildren.

The following beautiful tribute to his memory consists of extracts from letters recently written by Anthony Chase, Esq., of Worcester, Mass., a very respectable gentleman, for many years the county treasurer of Worcester County, and an honored and beloved member of the Society of Friends.

"In the spring of 1800 I was 'consigned and made over' to Richard Mowry, to serve him until I was fourteen years of age. He was a widower at that time, — his aged mother, an only son, and five daughters constituted his

household. He was a strict disciplinarian in his family, and governed it well. First-day schools, and meetings for studying the Scriptures, were unknown at that time, neither was it the practice to read the Bible at the breakfast-table, but the Scriptures were frequently read in his family. Then it was and there that I learned to love the sacred book.

"He was a farmer, house-carpenter, carriage-maker, and cider-press builder, diligent in business at all seasons and in all the changes of weather. His farm was a poor one, and scantily repaid the labor bestowed upon it.

"He was a man of sound common-sense, and very useful in his neighborhood. He wrote the deeds, leases, and contracts of his neighbors, and made their wills. When any difficulty or misunderstanding occurred, Richard Mowry was called upon to straighten everything, which he generally succeeded in doing to the satisfaction of all parties.

"He was an approved minister of the Society of Friends, and was frequently called upon and requested to attend the funerals of those not members of his society, in his own and neighboring towns.

"While I was with him he married Isabel Chace, his third wife, and his son * and several daughters were married also during the time.

"At that time few men were educated and equal to any emergency, and Richard Mowry was one of them." . . .

"He was a firm, conscientious, honest man; insisted on the *right*, regardless of what others thought or said of him, — a great stickler for the simplicity of the Society of Friends, as adhered to at that day (alas, not now!). His clothing was the natural color of wool and flax. The buttons he used to make himself of apple-tree wood.

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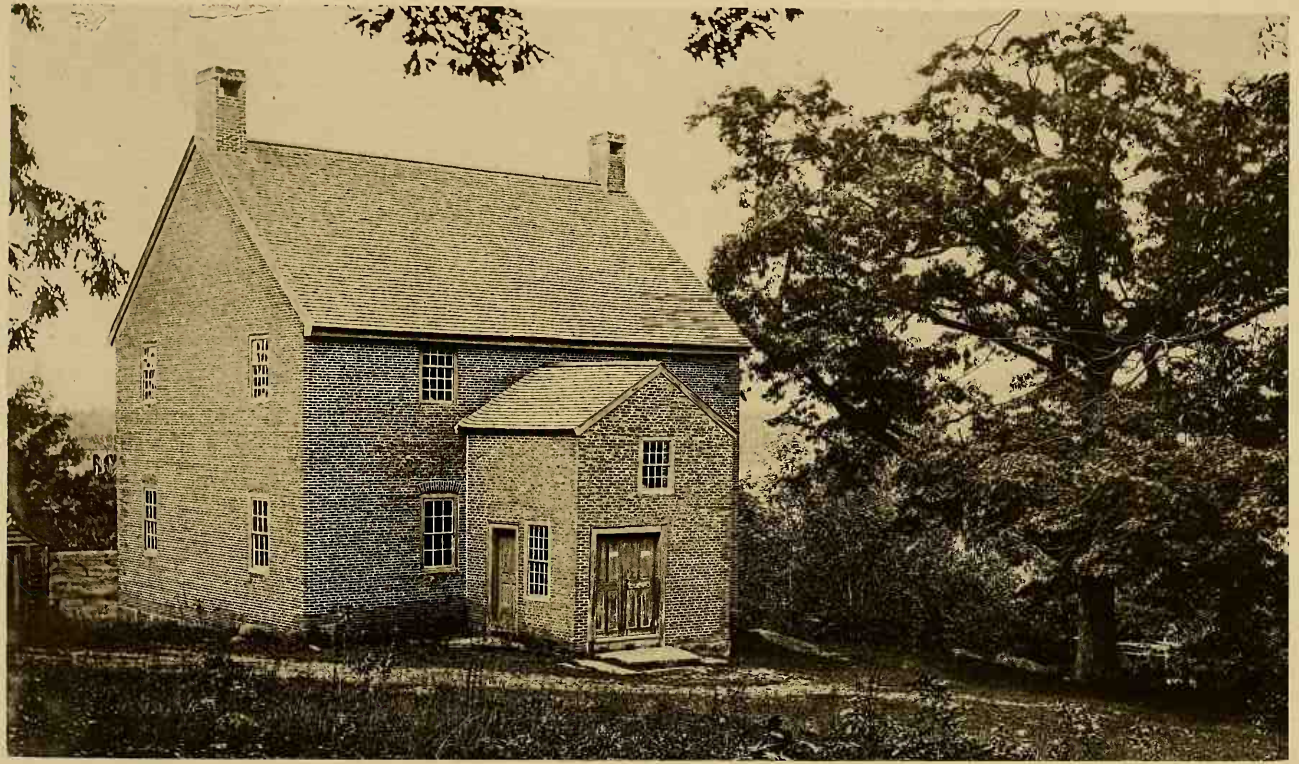
* This is a mistake. His son Gideon was married in 1799.



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FRIENDS MEETING HOUSE,

UXBRIDGE, MASS.

1770.

"I remember when I was old enough to have a woolen coat with skirts to it, I wanted buttons on the skirts, as other boys had them. I pleaded hard, but it availed me nothing. He said they were of *no use*, and there the matter ended.

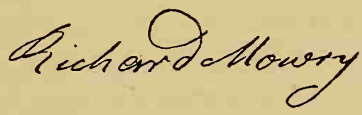
"He was quick at repartee, and often made his listeners smile when he related his victories over his opponents in arguments.

"It is now more than seventy years since I was an inmate of his family, and my recollection of daily occurrences is a good deal impaired. I regret my inability to detail more fully the incidents in the life of a very worthy man, whose memory is very precious to me.

Sincerely thy friend,

ANTHONY CHASE."

The fac-simile of his handwriting given below is taken from a letter written when he was in his eighty-fourth year.



After the death of his wife Isabel in 1820, he lived more than fourteen years a widower. These years he spent as a housekeeper, preferring to keep up his own house to living with any of his children. During most of this period, Mary Hunt (daughter of Daniel Hunt), whom he had taken (a poor motherless girl) to bring up, and his granddaughter, Sarah Thayer, were his housekeepers. He kept his health unusually well for one of his age, except the diffiulties which he experienced from the asthma during his later years. He died at night, Jan. 23, 1835, aged (85 years, 11 months, and 12 days) 86 years, lacking 18 days.

156. ANDREW MOWRY, son of Lawyer Joseph, born April 4, 1751; married ELIZABETH ——.

CHILDREN.

361. Joseph, b. Aug. 3, 1772.
362. Lydia, b. Aug. 22, 1774, in Glocester.

157. RUTH MOWRY, daughter of Lawyer Joseph, born Aug. 13, 1753; married Aug. 13, 1772, JEREMIAH HAWKINS. Nothing known of their family.

160. AUGUSTUS MOWRY, son of Lawyer Joseph, born Aug. 9, 1761. Nothing positive is known of him. There are vague remembrances by old people that he had a family. I find a marriage, which I suppose is his, recorded in the Smithfield records as follows: "Augustus Mowry, residing in Cumberland, and Miss Chloe Fisk, of Cumberland, were married Nov. 30, 1780." I find also a record as follows: "Died in Worcester, Mass., Oct. 8, 1798, Whipple Mowry, son of Augustus Mowry"; but it is not certain whether it was this Augustus or not.

161. DANIEL MOWRY, JR., son of Judge Daniel, called "Clark Daniel"; born April 8, 1750; married [1] March 7, 1773, ALCE ALDRICH, daughter of Samuel and Priscilla Aldrich, of Smithfield. She was born in 1751, and died Oct. 27, 1806.

CHILDREN.

370. Jabez, b. July 22, 1773.
371. Samuel, b. May 16, 1775.
372. Mary, b. Nov. 4, 1776; died Nov. 2, 1806.
373. Reuben, b. Sept. 23, 1778.

374. Thankful, b. Aug. 18, 1780.
375. Amey, b. June 16, 1782; not married; d. Jan. 1, 1863.
376. Gideon, b. May 11, 1784.
377. Thomas, b. Sept. 20, 1785.
378. Daniel, b. June 15, 1788.
379. Aldrich, b. Jan. 1, 1794.

Married [2] April 21, 1808, SUSANNAH STEERE, daughter of Elisha. No children. He died July 19, 1839, aged 89 years.

We have now arrived at the period of the Revolutionary War. We have already seen that several members of the family had warmly espoused the cause of the united colonies. Judge Daniel was two years a member of the Continental Congress. He had been invited to aid in a conspiracy against Washington, and had scornfully rejected the proposition. He had aided his native colony, now the *State* of Rhode Island, in every possible way. Colonel Elisha, commissioned in the "army of observation," afterwards in the regiments raised for the war, had buckled on his sword, and done good service in the field. "Daniel ye 4th" (Clark Daniel) had served as a soldier; and so also had William, son of Colonel Elisha. The family had increased in numbers till they were now counted by hundreds. They were, so far as now known, to a man, loyal to liberty.

It may be interesting at this point to observe what families, and how many, of the Mowrys, there were at this period in the colony.

On the next page will be found the entire list, from the Rhode Island Census of 1774, including the names of

the heads of families, and the number in each family, by towns.

MOWRY NAMES IN THE RHODE ISLAND CENSUS OF 1774.

NAMES.	TOWNS.	NO. IN FAMILY.
Mowry, John	North Kingstown,	8
" Benjamin	"	5
" Daniel	Smithfield,	2
" Daniel, Jr.	"	7
" Joseph	"	6
" Ananias	"	4
" Richard	"	2
" Job	"	10
" Daniel, 3d	"	5
" Philip	"	12
" Daniel, 4th	"	3
" Job, Jr.	"	3
" Elisha, Jr.	"	9
" Philip, Jr.	"	12
" Ananias, Jr.	"	8
" Gideon	"	8
" Elisha	"	9
" Ezekiel	"	3
" Stephen	"	10
" Uriah	"	2
" Jonathan	"	6
John	"	7
" Israel	"	6
" David	"	8
" Uranah	"	3
" Glasco	"	6
" George	"	3
" Jonathan	Scituate,	4
" Gideon	Glocester,	10
" Thomas, Jr.	"	4
" Jacob	"	6
" Thomas	"	2
" Zepheniah	"	5
Mory, Jeremiah	West Greenwich,	5
Mowry, Joseph	Exeter,	14
" Samuel	"	9
" Christopher	"	4
" James	Cumberland,	3

From the preceding table it appears that there were in the colony in 1774, 233 persons by this name. Of these, Smithfield claimed 154 ; Exeter, 27 ; Glocester, 27 ; North Kingstown, 13 ; West Greenwich, 5 ; Scituate, 4 ; and Cumberland, 3. Of these, at least 103 can be traced as the descendants of Nathaniel.

It may not be out of place to observe just at this point, — looking forward somewhat, — what Mowrys, and how many, have been members of the town council of Smithfield, R. I., the old home of the Mowrys, from the organization of that town in 1731, to the present time, and to see what other offices in that town have been filled by members of this family.

The following have been presidents of the council for the years indicated : —

Daniel Mowry, Jr., 1785 to 1789.
Reuben Mowry, 1818 to 1822.
Morton Mowry, 1827 to 1830.
Richard Mowry, 1854.
Arlon Mowry, 1869.

The following have been members of the council : —

Joseph, 1731 to 1735.
John, 1731 and 1732.
Jeremiah, 1747.
Captain Daniel, 1747, 1750, and 1756.
Philip, 1785, 1786, 1794 to 1796.
Seth, 1797 to 1801, and 1802 to 1807.
Joseph, 1792 to 1794.
Ahab, 1800.
Enos, 1803 and 1806.
Reuben, 1816 to 1822.

Morton, 1819 to 1822, 1824 to 1830.
Nathaniel, 1826 to 1830.
Sessions, 1826 to 1830.
Tyler, 1836.
Smith Ray, 1836 to 1838.
Ahaz, Jr., 1843.
Gideon, 1842 and 1844.
Richard, 1848 and 1849.
Daniel, 1854, 1856, and 1858.
William, 1859 and 1861.
Arlon, 1861 to 1869.

" Judge " Daniel Mowry was town clerk from 1760 to 1780 ; and his son, " Clark " Daniel, from 1780 to 1815, — a total of *fifty-five* consecutive years. These two men were excellent penmen, and their handwriting almost identical. Indeed, it is very difficult, sometimes almost impossible, to determine whether a paper was written by the father or the son.

From 1760 to 1780 the signature is " Daniel Mowry, Jr." This was " Judge Daniel." Then, from 1780 to 1787, when " Captain Daniel " died, it was " Daniel Mowry, 4th." It became " Daniel Mowry, 3d," till the death of " Judge Daniel," in 1806, and from 1806 to 1815 we find it " Daniel Mowry, Jr."

Among the town sergeants of Smithfield, we find the following : —

Uriah Mowry, 1731.
Joseph Mowry, 3d, 1747.
David Mowry, 1778.
Job Mowry, 1780.
David Mowry, 1790.

Nathaniel Mowry, 4th, 1800.
Amasa Mowry, son of John, 1810 to 1822.
Stephen A. Mowry, 1856 to 1861.
Rensselaer L. Mowry, 1861 to 1869.

" Clark " Daniel Mowry was a man of mark. He was a strong man,— vigorous in mind and robust in body. He was elected town clerk when he was thirty years of age, and held the office till he was sixty-five. During most, if not all this time, he was also clerk of the Probate Court. Besides these, he held many important offices, and always had the respect and esteem of his townsmen. He had a large family of children, most of whom outlived him. He died at the advanced age of 89 years, 3 mos. 11 days.

The following tribute to his worth was published in the *Providence Journal* of Thursday, Aug. 8, 1839.

" Died, in Smithfield, on the 18th of July, Daniel Mowry, Jr., Esq., in the 90th year of his age."

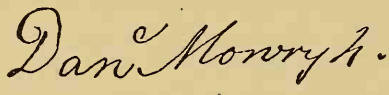
" Mr. Mowry was the son of Daniel Mowry, Sen,, who was a member of the Congress at the period of the American Revolution, and was invited by the friends of General Gates to attend their meeting to supersede General Washington in the command of the army. Mr. Mowry indignantly rejected the proposition of the friends of Gates, which caused them not a little mortification.

" The subject of this notice imbibed the lofty and stern principle of integrity which characterized his father. He, too, was solicited to become a candidate for Congress, but declined, preferring to serve his fellow-citizens in a more honorable capacity. He was one of the soldiers of the Revolution, for many years a senator and representative in the General Assembly of this State, and town clerk in his native town for thirty-six successive years. He was a man

of strong personal influence, respected for his intelligence and probity, and has left behind him a large circle of relatives and friends to mourn the departure of one who lived to a green old age.

"Let the sons imitate the virtues of their excellent father, and let the community duly estimate the value of such citizens. For nowhere can be found men who more faithfully discharge their respective duties as husbands and citizens."

Below is given a fac-simile of his handwriting, which is taken from an agreement between himself and his father. The chirography of the two, father and son, are almost exactly identical, with the single exception that the "Judge" signed as Daniel "Jr.," and the "Clark" as Daniel "4th." The date is July 10, 1780.



162. AMEY MOWRY, daughter of Judge Daniel, born Sept. 1, 1751; married Feb. 14, 1773, SAMUEL CLARK, of Smithfield, son of Robert Clark, of Glocester.

CHILDREN.

Stephen.	Samuel.
Mowry.	John.

Their third son, Samuel, was the father of Hon. Samuel Clark, for many years town clerk of Smithfield, R. I., and at the present time general treasurer of the State of Rhode Island.

163. ANNE MOWRY, daughter of Judge Daniel, born June 21, 1753; married June 24, 1772, EZEKIEL SMITH,

son of Col. Richard Smith, of Smithfield, R. I. Nothing further known.

164. MARY MOWRY, daughter of Judge Daniel, born Oct. 14, 1756; married April 23, 1780, Dr. JOHN WILKINSON, son of Benjamin Wilkinson, of Scituate. He was born Feb. 16, 1753.

CHILD.

Amey, born Dec. 4, 1780; m. JOHN HARRIS. (See p. 40.)

Dr. Wilkinson was a surgeon in the Revolutionary War, and died Dec. 26, 1836.

165. MARCY MOWRY, daughter of Judge Daniel, born Aug. 28, 1758; married —— ALDRICH. They lived in New York State, and afterwards removed to Michigan. No record of their children.

167. RACHEL MOWRY, daughter of Judge Daniel, born Nov. 22, 1790; married Major MORTON MOWRY (No. 181, which see).

168. WILLIAM MOWRY, son of Colonel Elisha, born Aug. 23, 1761; married March 30, 1783, SUSANNA MOWRY, the daughter of Wanton (No. 98). She was born Oct. 3, 1763. He died Sept. 29, 1837, aged 76 years.

CHILDREN.

380. Olive, b. Aug. 13, 1783.
381. Wanton, b. Sept. 19, 1785.
382. Diana, b. Sept. 21, 1788.
383. Martha, b. Jan. 17, 1791; not married.
384. Elisha, b. Aug. 7, 1793; not married.
385. Harris Jencks, b. April 27, 1796.
386. Susanna, b. Aug. 12, 1798; not married.
387. Mary Ann, b. July 21, 1801; not married.

These names and dates were taken from a family Bible.

William Mowry was the eldest son of Colonel Elisha. He married Susannah Mowry. She was the daughter of Wanton (No. 98). He was a man of clear head, of large information, and of a judgment so sound as to be often sought by his neighbors and townsmen. He was but twenty-two years of age when the treaty of peace with Great Britain closed the Revolutionary struggle, and secured the independence of this country. But he had taken an active part in the struggle, and was commissary, probably in his father's regiment. He is spoken of in an obituary notice in the Providence *Morning Courier* of Oct. 2, 1837, as a "Revolutionary pensioner."

He held several minor offices, and from May, 1798, to May, 1802, represented his native town in the General Assembly, wielding therein a large influence. During this period occurred the general agitation of the question of public schools for the State, and in the year 1800 a school law was passed by the Assembly, providing for free schools throughout Rhode Island. The opposition in certain quarters was so intense, that in many portions of the State the intent of the bill was defeated, and it was not till 1828 that a new bill was passed, which proved effectual in establishing schools in *all the towns* of the State. But in this general agitation of the subject in 1799 and 1800, Mr. Mowry exerted all his influence, both out of and in the legislature, to procure the passage of the bill.

He was a regular attendant, in all the later years of his life, upon the meetings of the Society of Friends; and in a long life of probity and industry, accumulated, and, at his decease, left, a large landed estate. He died at his home

in Smithfield, Sept. 29, 1837, in the seventy-seventh year of his age.

169. MARCY MOWRY, daughter of Colonel Elisha, born July 29, 1763 ; married JOHN RANDALL, of North Providence. She died Jan. 25, 1811, aged 47.

CHILDREN.

Dexter.	Martha.
Mowry.	Abby ; m. —— Arnold.
Smith.	Freelove.

170. AHAB MOWRY, son of Colonel Elisha, born Sept. 9, 1766 ; married Feb. 23, 1797, HANNAH WHIPPLE, daughter of Benjamin. He died July 10, 1840, in his 74th year. She died Aug. 25, 1809.

CHILDREN.

388. Sophia, b. Dec. 17, 1797 ; died May 11, 1842 (?) ; not married.
389. Maria, b. July 6, 1799 ; not married.
390. Elisha, b. Feb. 3, 1801 ; not married.
391. Benjamin W., b. Sept. 30, 1806 ; not married.

171. SYLVESTER MOWRY, son of Colonel Elisha, born Aug. 7, 1768 ; married Oct. 17, 1793, PATIENCE COOKE, daughter of Colonel William and Ruth Cooke, of Tiverton, R. I. Colonel William was brother to Gov. Nicholas Cooke. She was born Aug. 22, 1764, and died Sept. 26, 1845, aged 81 years. He died Dec. 15, 1851, aged 83 years.

CHILDREN.

392. Waity, b. Oct. 31, 1793 ; not married ; d. Sept. 23, 1874, aged 81 years.

393. Smith, b. March 17, 1795.
394. Charles Cook, b. July 13, 1798.
395. Phebe, b. Dec. 9, 1796; not married; d. Nov. 15, 1826.
396. Edward, b. March 3, 1800; not married; d. at Providence, Oct. 14, 1861, aged 61.
397. Marcia, b. Sept. 27, 1802.
398. Julia Eliza, b. June 3, 1804; d. Aug. 26, 1824.
399. John Alexander, b. March 21, 1806.
400. William Gulley, b. Jan. 4, 1808; d. Dec. 4, 1830.

Sylvester Mowry was a good example of the old-time gentleman farmer of New England. He was one of those sterling characters that have made New England what she is. Possessing intelligence, integrity, enterprise, he was a power wherever placed. Always active in reference to affairs of his native town, he yet always shunned politics and office.

If there was anything to *do*, like breaking out roads after a snow-storm, or repairing them after a severe rain-storm, he was always on hand. But he would not enter the arena of local or general politics. One of the most intelligent of men in conversation, upon whatever current topic was introduced, well posted upon matters of general interest, a good reader, a good thinker, expert in conversation, he yet shrank from publicity and public life. He spent his life almost entirely upon the farm, where he was born and where he died.

He was strongly attached to home and friends. He shone brightest in his family. He lived specially for them. He gave his children the best education the times afforded in the old academies. He took pains to select the best

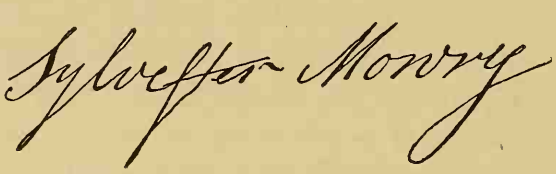
teachers for the neighborhood school, and when the children were old enough to go away to the boarding-school or the academy, he sent them to the best. Old Master Thornton, of the Smithfield Academy; Master Fisk, of the Leicester Academy; Master William Winsor, of Providence; David Aldrich, son of Joel, — these were among the teachers of the sons of Sylvester.

He was eminently a social man. He enjoyed society, and he was favored with the best the times afforded till his death. Many among the first men of his day were counted among his personal friends. He lived in a formative period for our State and our country, — a period of great thoughts, great deeds, great changes, great men. Eight years old when Independence was declared, fifteen at the time of the treaty of peace with Great Britain, nineteen when the Constitution was adopted by the Federal Convention, not old enough to vote when Washington was first elected, but a voter at the first Presidential election in which Rhode Island participated, undoubtedly voting for Washington at that time, espousing the cause of the Federalists, he probably cast his vote for John Adams in 1796, against Jefferson in 1800 and in 1804, and he probably voted at every election of President from that time till Tyler had annexed Texas, and Polk had fought Mexico, adding her northern provinces, and had settled the Oregon boundary question. He died during the agitated times of the Fillmore administration.

He was ever a consistent and an intelligent adherent of the old Federal cause in the early time, and of the Whig party and the party of "law and order" in the later days.

Respected and honored by all who knew him intimately, yet it was in his own family and at his own fireside that he appeared to best advantage, and was loved the most. He left a will, by which his property was divided, and in which his characteristic love of his home and his family circle was apparent. It provided that all his children could have a home at the old fireside as long as they lived. They should be free to come and to go, but, when they chose to stay, everything was to be so arranged as to provide for their comfort and to promote their happiness. Happy would it be for our land, if there were more in these modern days like him.

Below will be found a fac-simile of his handwriting.



173. JESSE MOWRY, son of Colonel Elisha, born Jan. 5, 1773 ; married march 5, 1818, SUSANNA EASTERBROOKS. He died Sept. 6, 1844, aged 71 years.

CHILDREN.

401. James M., b. Sept. 15, 1811 ; not married.
402. Abby Ann, b. March 30, 1820 ; d. June 5, 1842.
403. Lyman J., b. April 2, 1822 ; not married ; d. October, 1869.
404. Leonard S., b. May 21, 1824 ; not married.
405. Otis T., b. June 1, 1825 ; not married.
406. Mary Jane, b. May 11, 1832.
407. Elisha J., b. Oct. 15, 1838 ; not married.

These all lived near Limerock, Smithfield, R. I.

174. NATHANIEL MOWRY, son of Colonel Elisha, called "Major Nat," born Dec. 18, 1774; married April 20, 1806, LYDIA DEXTER, daughter of Jonathan Dexter. She was born in 1778, and died May 10, 1838, aged 60 years. He died July 6, 1843, aged nearly 69 years.

CHILDREN.

408. Stephen Dexter, b. March 9, 1807; not married.
409. William Gulley, b. June 5, 1808; d. March 5, 1809.
410. Dexter Low, b. June 30, 1809; drowned June 24, 1837, aged 28.
411. William Gulley Randall, b. Dec. 20, 1810.
412. Alice, b. June 26, 1813.
413. Nathaniel Smith, b. March 14, 1815; not married.
414. Martha Jencks, b. Feb. 11, 1817.
415. Betsey Dexter, b. Jan. 22, 1819; d. March 8, 1844; not married.
416. John Dexter, b. Sept. 28, 1820.

Major Nathaniel Mowry was a prominent man in Smithfield, R. I., for half a century. He kept a tavern at Limerock from 1817 to 1841. In those days, stages ran daily between Providence and Worcester, and between Providence and Woonsocket; and all coaches stopped at Major Nat's tavern to change horses. He was a man of much legal knowledge, and his advice and assistance was often sought in law cases. He was a man of great executive ability, of good judgment, and was often employed as administrator to settle estates, as referee to settle difficulties, and the like. He was for many years an auctioneer, and in this capacity was very skillful and exceedingly popular. In

1842 he warmly espoused the Free Suffrage cause, and was one of the representatives in the Dorr legislature that held its sessions in the old "Eddy Street Foundry," owned by Harris J. Mowry. He was a peace man in that controversy, opposed to extreme measures. He disapproved of the proposal to take possession of the court-house. At the close of these troubles, like many of the leaders in the Dorr movement, he was obliged to go into exile for a time.

He was a large-hearted, generous, benevolent man, and no one ever went from his door hungry or thirsty. He delighted in relieving suffering and aiding the unfortunate. His business talent, legal knowledge, generosity, executive ability, and withal his easy, affable, genial manner, made him popular wherever he went, and with all kinds of people. He was properly known as "Nathaniel Mowry, 2d," to distinguish him from Nathaniel 1st, the son of Job; but he was everywhere called "Major Nat," — a title received from holding for a long time the commission of major in the State militia. He was never a strong man physically, but he lived to be nearly 69 years of age. He died at his home in Smithfield, July 6, 1843.

175. MARTHA MOWRY, daughter of Colonel Elisha, born Feb. 6, 1777; married Gen. CHARLES JENCKS. She died March 11, 1828, aged 51 years. He died July 4, 1838.

CHILDREN.

Elisha Mowry.	Charles.
Almira.	Martha.
Harriet.	Elsie Maria.

176. MARY MOWRY, daughter of Colonel Elisha, born Feb. 7, 1779; died Feb. 17, 1852, aged 72.

177. ALCE MOWRY, daughter of Colonel Elisha, born Nov. 1, 1781; married Feb. 24, 1811, BAULSTON BRAYTON, son of John Brayton, of Smithfield, R. I. She died March 18, 1812, aged 31. No children.

It is supposed that John Brayton was the son of Baulston, who was born May 11, 1717. He was the son of Preserved and Content, of Swanzey. Preserved was born March 8, 1685. His father was Stephen, of Tiverton, R. I. He married March 5, 1678, Ann Talman, of Portsmouth. Stephen was the son of Francis and Mary. Francis was the first of this family in America. He was born in 1611, and made a freeman in Portsmouth, R. I., in 1643, and died in 1692, aged 81 years.

178. RUTH MOWRY, daughter of Jeremiah, born Feb. 13, 1782; married JOHN THAYER, of Douglas, Mass. She died Sept. —, 1875.

CHILDREN.

Mowry.
Charles.
Aurilla.

They moved to Connecticut.

179. RACHEL MOWRY, daughter of Jeremiah, married WILLARD SMITH, of Smithfield, R. I. She died in the fall of 1856.

CHILD.

Mowry.

180. JEREMIAH MOWRY, Jr., son of Jeremiah, called "Esquire Jerry," born May 6, 1786; married [1] April 30, 1809, Betsey Steere, daughter of William Steere, of Glocester. She was born Sept. 29, 1790, and died May 8, 1848, aged nearly 58.

CHILDREN.

417. Esther, b. June 23, 1810.
418. Eliza, b. May 11, 1812; d. Feb. 18, 1817.
419. Huldah, b. Jan. 13, 1814.
420. Eliza Maria, b. Sept. 11, 1815; d. Nov. 24, 1815.
421. Eliza Ann, b. Jan. 13, 1817.
422. Smith, b. June 6, 1819.
423. Rachel, b. Nov. 23, 1821.
424. Morton, b. March 16, 1823; not married.
425. Ruth, b. July 13, 1828.
426. Susan M. J., b. July 18, 1834.

Married [2] Rachel Esten, widow of Buffum Esten. No children. He died July 16, 1872, aged 86 years.

"Esquire Jerry" was for the years of a long life one of the foremost men of his town. He lived in the eastern part of Burrillville, managed a large farm, and "kept tavern" on the Douglas turnpike, about a mile west from Mohegan. He was a noted man in his day, and held many public offices. He was for many years justice of the peace, several times a member of the town council, member of the General Assembly, and held other offices.

He reared a large family of children, who have proved themselves respectable and respected, in their several walks in life.

181. MORTON MOWRY, son of Jeremiah, called "Major Morton"; married Rachel Mowry (see No. 167), daughter of Judge Daniel.

CHILDREN.

427. Daniel.
428. Joseph.

"Major Morton" was one of the leading men of his native town for many years. A man of unusually good ability, a strong mind, a resolute will, enjoying public life, he was for a long period a member of the town council, and filled other offices with credit to himself and satisfaction to the town. He was always a man of industry and enterprise.

182. JOSEPH MOWRY, son of Jeremiah, born May 25, 1795 (?); married May 10, 1822, MARTHA STAPLES.

CHILDREN.

429. Hannah S., b. Dec. 10, 1823.
430. Jeremiah, b. Aug. 9, 1825.
431. Nathan S., b. Feb. 23, 1827.
432. James, b. July 10, 1829.
433. Mary E., b. Feb. 3, 1831.
434. Minerva, b. May 10, 1832.
435. La Fayette, b. Oct. 23, 1833.
436. Eliza Ann, b. June 19, 1835; died.
437. Charles, b. Feb. 10, 1837; not married.
438. Martin L., b. Oct. 23, 1838.
439. Martha P., b. 1840.
440. Mercy Cornelia, b. March 5, 1842; died, 4 months old.
441. Samuel, b. Nov. 27, 1843.
442. Thomas Dorr, b. Feb. 23, 1845; died.

Joseph Mowry was a hale, robust, vigorous man, always active, and he brought up a large family of children. His wife was a woman of great industry and activity. When the writer called upon her to get an account of her chil-

dren, she named from memory the list,—*fourteen* of them,—and gave the dates of their birth, and the deaths of those not living, without looking at the family register.

183. NATHANIEL MOWRY, son of John, born May 27, 1765. It is supposed that he went to the Hoosac country, in Western Massachusetts. There is no further record of him.

184. ELIAKIM MOWRY, son of John, born June 28, 1767; married [1] LYDIA PAINE, daughter of Benoni.

CHILD.

443. Elisha.

Married [2] NANCY MOWRY, widow of Caleb Mowry (No. 101). She was sister to "King David" Mowry.

CHILDREN.

444. Eliza.
445. Lavina.
446. Arinda; not married.
447. Lucretia.

185. JOSEPH MOWRY, son of John, called "Fox Hunter Joe," born Oct. 14, 1770; married Dec. 5, 1792, HANNAH SAYLES, daughter of Jonathan Sayles. She was born July 16, 1775, and died June 7, 1852, aged 77 years. He died May 5, 1850, in his 80th year.

CHILDREN.

448. Duty, b. April 4, 1793; d. May 22, 1793.
449. Amey, b. June 15, 1794.
450. Rachel, b. Aug. 11, 1796; d. Nov. 27, 1797.
451. Mary, b. Sept. 27, 1798.
452. Sally, b. May 3, 1801; d. June 11, 1857.
453. Margery, b. June 24, 1803.
454. Eliza S. C., b. July 8, 1805; d. Oct. 29, 1845.

455. Mercy, b. Aug. 5, 1807 ; d. May 30, 1808.
456. Delia Festina, b. March 18, 1809; d. Aug. 28, 1856.
457. Elcy, b. April 24, 1811.
458. Joseph, b. April 11, 1813 ; d. Feb. 24, 1815.
459. Jencks, b. March 31, 1815.
460. John, b. Sept. 10, 1817.

They lived a little distance west of Wankeag Hill (the old spelling was *Wiongkheage*), upon a hill which is supposed to be the one called in the old records *Nipsachuck Hill.*

I have been able to gather but little information concerning him, but enough to show that he was a vigorous, hard-working man, of good character, respected by those who knew him, honest and honorable.

186. JOHN MOWRY, Jr., son of John, born May 20, 1773 ; married —— Hamilton.

CHILDREN.

461. John.
462. Elsie.
463. Nancy.
464. Lavina H.
465. Lydia.
466. Waity ; not married.
467. Cyrene.

187. JEREMIAH MOWRY, son of John ; married Feb. 16, 1804, Content Appleby, daughter of John.

CHILDREN.

468. Esek.
469. Polly.

188. ISRAEL MOWRY, son of John ; married Feb. 9, 1812, Rebecca Brown, daughter of Israel Brown, of Burrillville, R. I.

CHILDREN.

470. Jesse T.
471. Waity.
472. Amasa; d. young.
473. Elizabeth.
474. Julia A.
475. Laura A.
476. Hiram A.; d. young.

189. WELCOME MOWRY, son of John; married LUCINDA BOUTELLE.

CHILDREN.

477. Welcome,

and two daughters, names not known.

One of these daughters married Joseph Gilman, and the other married Gilbert Ballou.

190. AMASA MOWRY, son of John; married ANNE HAMILTON.

CHILDREN.

478. Stephen.
479. Patience.
480. Phila.

191. MARGERY MOWRY, daughter of Eleazer, born May 3, 1774; married July 10, 1791, JESSE TAFT, son of Nathan, of Burrillville.

CHILDREN.

Samuel; married a daughter of Welcome Ballou.
Mowry; drowned at Tarkiln saw-mill.
Nathan; married —— Paine.
Martha; married Simon Richardson.
Polly; married —— Walling.

192. LYDIA MOWRY, daughter of Eleazer, born July 28, 1776; married WILLIAM ROSS.

They had one child, who married —— Wilson.

193. EUNICE MOWRY, daughter of Eleazer, born April 11, 1778; married May 24, 1801, JOHN COOPER, son of Moses, of Glocester.

CHILDREN.

Corbin,
Daughter.

194. REUBEN MOWRY, son of Eleazer, born May 10, 1780; married DACY STAPLES. No children.

196. PHILA MOWRY, daughter of Eleazer, born Feb. 4, 1785; married [1] PETER ALDRICH.

CHILDREN.

Smith.
Daughter.

Married [2] —— THAYER. No children.

197. RUTH MOWRY, daughter of Eleazer, born Nov. 28, 1786; married WELCOME BALLOU.

CHILDREN.

Nelson.
Mowry.

After her death, Welcome married Lavina Chase. She was the mother of *eighteen* children.

198. ROBE MOWRY, daughter of Eleazer, born Oct. 22, 1789; married JOSEPH RICHARDSON, son of Joseph, of South Uxbridge. (He was brother to Simon.) She died June 9, 1874, in her 85th year.

CHILDREN.

Mowry.
David.
Caleb.
Joseph.
William.
Levi.

199. ELEAZER MOWRY, Jr., son of Eleazer, born Sept. 7, 1791 ; married Nov. 11, 1812, Marcy Ballou, daughter of Benjamin Ballou.

CHILDREN.

481. Abner Ballou, b. Sept. 22, 1814 ; not married.
482. William Bainbridge, b. March 9, 1816.
483. Content Ballou, b. June 22, 1817 ; not married.
484. John Orde, b. Feb. 24, 1820.

200. JOSEPH MOWRY, son of Eleazer, called "Crooked Finger Joe," born June 25, 1795 ; married Elsie M. Boutelle, daughter of Samuel Boutelle.

CHILDREN.

485. Sally.
486. Emily.
487. Serrill, b. Jan. 20, 1826.
488. Nancy.
489. Esther.

201. EZEKIEL MOWRY, son of Eleazer, born March 4, 1798; married Julia Wheelock. He died June 22, 1871, aged 73 years.

CHILDREN.

490. Lavina, b. Jan. 4, 1823.
491. James Francis, b. April 30, 1825 ; d. July 2, 1830.
492. Eunice, b. Oct. 29, 1828 ; not married.
493. Albert, b. Oct. 5, 1830.
494. Lucinda, b. Jan. 21, 1834.
495. Daniel Wheelock, b. Sept. 12, 1836 ; d. May 14, 1839.
496. Smith B., b. March 13, 1839.
497. Julianna, b. March 3, 1845.

202. LEVI MOWRY, son of Eleazer, born Aug. 29, 1800 ; married Nov. 23, 1823, CEREAH WARNER, daughter of Daniel Warner, of Mendon.

CHILDREN.

498. Warner ; not married ; went to Chicago ; died wealthy.
499. Elizabeth.
500. Jane ; not married.

203. JOAB MOWRY, son of Job ; married OLIVE MOWRY (perhaps No. 99, daughter of Wanton).

CHILDREN.

501. Randall.
502. Amey.
503. Whipple.
504. Sayles ; married. No children.
505. Smith.
506. Sarah.

204. ZIBA MOWRY, son of Job. Have not learned who he married.

CHILDREN.

507. Ziba.
508. Waitee.
509. Esther ; not married.
510. Christopher.
511. Horace ; married. No children.

205. MARTHA MOWRY, daughter of Job ; married CALEB REMINGTON. Nothing further known of this family.

206. JOB MOWRY, son of Job ; married Sept. 20, 1801, ANNE MOWRY (No. 347), daughter of Job (No. 153).

CHILDREN.

512. William ; died young.
513. Arnold.
514. George.
515. Orin ; died, aged 5 years.
516. Erie.
517. Anthony ; married —— Paine.
518. Lydia, b. April 21, 1813.

CHAPTER VI.

THE SIXTH GENERATION.

208. JOHN POTTER MOWRY, son of Earl, born at East Greenwich about 1786.

CHILD.

520. David Potter, b. Oct. 12, 1811.

211. RALPH MOWRY, son of John, born May 3, 1795; died from home, date unknown.

CHILD.

521. George L.

212. CHARLES MOWRY, son of John, born March 27, 1797, in Woodstock, Conn.

CHILDREN.

522. Emma S., b. Sept. 23, 1823.
523. Leonard C., b. Aug. 22, 1825.
524. Richard H., b. Dec. 28, 1828; dead.
525. John S., b. June 26, 1832.
526. Elizabeth E., b. Sept. 16, 1834.
527. Mary A., b. Oct. 27, 1838; dead.
528. William L., b. Aug. 20, 1841.

Charles is now living, more than 80 years old, at Canastota, Oneida Co., N. Y. He has displayed remark-

able inventive powers. He has taken patents for several mechanical inventions, and even at his present advanced age is still at work to perfect a favorite plan of his to propel cars upon a railroad without the use of steam. He has also invented a machine for sawing all kinds of staves, for tight or loose work, from a keg to the largest kind of a hogshead.

219. JOHN MOWRY, son of George, born Jan. 27, 1803, in Leyden, Mass.; married [1] May 20, 1835, CORDELIA DEANE. She died Oct. 8, 1846, at Leyden, Mass.

CHILDREN.

529. Sarah Elizabeth, b. March 7, 1840.
530. Henry Clay, b. Aug. 15, 1842.
531. George, b. Dec. 13, 1843.
532. Christopher, b. Aug. 27, 1846.

Married [2] Nov. 3, 1856, MARY ROGERS. She died May 3, 1872, at Bernardston, Mass. No children.

He is a farmer, and lives at Bernardston, Mass.

220. MANLEY MOWRY, son of George, born June 17, 1805, in Leyden, Mass.; married JANE WILES.

CHILDREN.

533. Elizabeth.
534. Mary Cordelia.
535. Susan.
536. Milton; teacher; not married.
537. Haven; machinist; not married.

Manley Mowry is a farmer, living in Leyden, Mass.

221. POLLY MARIA MOWRY, daughter of George, born Feb. 2, 1807, at Leyden, Mass.; married DENNIS GREEN.

CHILDREN.

George Dennis.
Albert; farmer, at Leyden; not married.
David Avery; clerk, at Boston; not married.

Mr. Green was a farmer at Leyden, Mass.

222. NATHAN AVERY MOWRY, son of George, born August, 1810, at Leyden, Mass.; married JULIA EASON.

CHILDREN.

538. Emeline.
539. Hart Eason.
540. Miles L.; not married; clerk at Leyden.

He was a farmer at Leyden, Mass.

223. DAVID MOWRY, son of George, born July 9, 1818, at Leyden, Mass.; married SARAH ANGELINE CARPENTER. She was born Nov. 16, 1820.

CHILDREN.

541. Charlotte; not married; teacher.
542. David Carpenter, b. 1842.
543. Mary; teacher; not married.
544. Austin Carpenter; not married; farmer.
545. Hosea Ballou; not married; farmer.

David Mowry was a farmer, at Leyden, Mass.

David Carpenter was a soldier in the war of the Rebellion. He enlisted Sept. 13, 1861, in Co. C, Twenty-seventh Massachusetts Regiment; corporal; died in Washington, N. C., Oct. 10, 1862.

224. ALBERT LEROY MOWRY, son of George, born July 9, 1820, in Leyden, Mass.; married March 31, 1840, DULCENA P. GREEN, of Coleraine, Mass.

CHILD.

546. Helen M., b. at Shelburne Falls, May 26, 1843.

Albert LeRoy Mowry lives in New York City. He has retired from active business, having been largely engaged in manufacturing car wheels, at Cincinnati, O., since 1851. He is still president of the Mowry Car and Wheel Works. He was in banking from 1857 to 1871. At the latter date he retired from business on account of ill health.

225. LEROY MOWRY, son of William, born Aug. 26, 1808; married April 18, 1831, CATHERINE BANKS, at Lyme, Conn.

CHILDREN.

547. Sarah Griswold, b. Feb. 6, 1832; d. June 29, 1847.
548. William LeRoy, b. Jan. 1, 1834.
549. Charles Townsend, b. July 4, 1837.
550. Kate Noyes, b. Dec. 6, 1851; d. July 28, 1859.

LeRoy Mowry has been for many years one of the prominent men of Washington County, N. Y. Born in Greenwich, N. Y., he resided in his native town till he was about twenty years of age, when he went into business in Troy, N. Y., under the firm name of Vail & Mowry. He resided in Troy for about twenty years, and was for a number of years director in the Old Farmers Bank, the oldest bank in the city. While in Troy he was a member of the City Council, and a trustee of Mrs. Willard's Female Seminary.

He was also one of the prominent persons who were instrumental in building the Second Street Presbyterian Church.

After a residence of twenty years in Troy, he returned to his native village, where he has resided to the present time. He has represented Washington County in the State legislature, and has been for many years the president of the Washington National Bank in Greenwich. He was, with two other gentlemen, — Messrs. Masters (his brother-in-law) and Andrews, — instrumental in starting the first manufactory for making tea-trays in this country. This company is now doing a large business in that town. Mr. Mowry is the agent, and one of the proprietors, of the "Washington Machine Works" at Sandy Hill in the same county, where are manufactured water-wheels, saw-mills, and other machinery.

226. ANNA CAROLINE MOWRY, daughter of William, born Oct. 13, 1809; married Sept. 18, 1827, HENRY HOLMES. She died Feb. 3, 1875.

CHILDREN.

William Mowry, b. Oct. 19, 1828.
Mary Bishop, b. May 19, 1830; d. June 10, 1831.
Charles Henry, b. Nov. 12, 1832; d. Oct. 9, 1854.
Marion B., b. March 12, 1837.

227. WILLIAM HENRY MOWRY, son of William, b. July 23, 1811; married Jan. 15, 1833, ANGELINA GIFFORD. He died Oct. 22, 1850. She died May 19, 1853.

CHILDREN.

551. Jane Elizabeth, b. Dec. 5, 1833.
552. Henry Lovejoy, b. Dec. 13, 1837.

553. LeRoy, b. Oct. 28, 1840; d. May 23, 1868.
554. William Gifford, b. March 12, 1842.
555. Sarah Griswold, b. Jan. 13, 1349.

228. MARY ELIZABETH MOWRY, daughter of William, born Nov. 21, 1820; married Sept. 16, 1840, JOHN T. MASTERS, Greenwich, N. Y.

CHILDREN.

Nicholas Merritt Mowry, b. Aug. 22, 1842; m. June 6, 1866, Mary Hervey. He died Sept. 10, 1875.
Mary Elizabeth, b. Aug. 3, 1845; d. May 27, 1854.
William Mowry, b. Aug. 16, 1846; d. Sept. 7, 1846.
LeRoy Mowry, b. July 24, 1851; d. May 5, 1868.

Mr. Masters belongs to one of the most respectable and energetic families in that part of New York State. He is a vigorous, active, business man, of sterling character, integrity, and honor. He has been largely engaged in extensive business relations, particularly in connection with his brother-in-law, Mr. Mowry.

229. LUCIUS POTTER MOWRY, son of James, born Oct. 12, 1805; married [1] Dec. 13, 1827, DESIAH KENYON. She was born March 8, 1807. She died July 5, 1872, aged 65 years.

CHILDREN.

556. Lucius Philetus, b. June 16, 1829.
557. Ellen Desiah, b. May 17, 1838.
558. Cassius, } b. June 21, 1849.
559. Lucius, }

Married [2] June 17, 1873, LUCY ANN AVERY, of Coleraine, Mass. She was born Dec. 18, 1816. No children.

230. Rev. JAMES W. MOWRY, son of James, born April 20, 1808 ; married [1] June 4, 1834, Mary W. Cushman, daughter of Ebenezer, of Warren, N. H. She was born at Lisbon, N. H., June 1, 1814. She died Feb. 14, 1848.

Married [2] Arathusa Sawyer. He is a minister, and lives in Barre. He has two children.

231. WILLIAM PITT MOWRY, son of James, born May 5, 1809 ; married Amelia Crane. He lives in Windsor Locks, Conn., and has three children.

232. LYDIA MOWRY, daughter of James, born June 23, 1811 ; married J. B. Shepardson. She died Oct. 14, 1844, leaving two children.

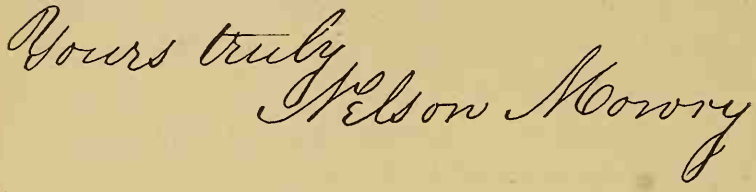
233. NELSON MOWRY, son of James, born Nov. 19, 1813 ; married Aug. 4, 1842, in New York City, Sophia L. Silber.

CHILDREN.

560. Charles N., b. May 20, 1844, in New York City.
561. William A., b. Sept. 8, 1847, in Newark, N. J. ; not married.
562. DeWitt, b. Sept. 27, 1851, in Newark, N. J. ; not married.

Nelson Mowry was for seven years the principal of a select school in the city of New York, and subsequently for seven years principal of one of the public schools of the city of Newark, N. J. He is now residing in Wilbraham, Mass., where his sons are engaged in mercantile business. He is a gentleman of unusual intelligence, good education,

excellent judgment, and sterling character. The following is a fac-simile of his handwriting.



234. ANN MOWRY, daughter of James, born Aug. 24, 1820; married HORACE W. LYNDE, Jacksonville, Vt. One child.

236. ANNE MOWRY, daughter of Aaron, born Nov. 6, 1789. She was never married, but lived to great age, always remaining on the homestead.

237. RUSSELL MOWRY, son of Aaron, born Sept. 30, 1791; married NANCY MOWRY, daughter of David, of Smithfield. Nancy was born Jan. 31, 1796. He died Nov. 3, 1821, aged 30.

CHILDREN.

563. Cyra; not married.
564. Saben.
565. Ezekiel; not married.
566. Lorenzo.
567. Harley.

238. SAYLES MOWRY, son of Aaron, born Oct. 18, 1793; married PHEBE MOWRY, widow of Charles (his brother). She was the daughter of Benoni Latham.

CHILDREN.

568. Phebe Ann; died; not married.
569. Sarah.
570. Albert; died.

571. Narcissa B.
572. Catherine.
573. Mary Austin; died.

239. CHARLES MOWRY, son of Aaron, born Aug. 12, 1795; married PHEBE LATHAM, daughter of Benoni.

CHILDREN.

574. Scott, b. 1817.
575. Windsor.
576. Shadrack.
577. Charles.

240. STEPHEN MOWRY, son of Aaron, born Feb. 14, 1798. He was never married, but lived to great age, on the homestead, a short distance above Greenville.

241. CYRENE MOWRY, daughter of Aaron; married BURRILL BROWN, son of Levi.

CHILDREN.

Joseph; died.
Mary Elizabeth; died.
Thomas.

242. THOMAS J. MOWRY, son of Aaron, b. Sept. 8, 1804; married LOUISA SEARLE, daughter of William. No children.

243. HULDAH MOWRY, daughter of Aaron, b. Oct. 18, 1809; married SMITH PHILLIPS.

CHILD.

Charles Aaron.

Mr. Phillips formerly managed the Anne Jenkins farm.

246. POLLY MOWRY, daughter of Wanton; married REUBEN JEPHERSON.

CHILD.

Reuben.

247. CHARLOTTE MOWRY, daughter of Wanton, born Feb. 13, 1794; married Sept. 6, 1814, SULLIVAN THAYER, son of Asa, of Uxbridge, Mass.; born April 3, 1792. She died Dec. 13, 1815.

CHILD.

Alonzo, born Sept. 12, 1815; d. Feb. 26, 1816.

248. SARAH MOWRY, daughter of Wanton, born in 1796; married May, 1817, ASAHEL KEITH. No children.

249. RUTH MOWRY, daughter of Wanton, born Dec. 23, 1798; married Jan. 27, 1817, SULLIVAN THAYER (whose first wife was her sister Charlotte, No. 247).

CHILDREN.

Austin, b. March 9, 1819; d. Oct. 16, 1819.
Sullivan, b. April 17, 1820; d. April 20, 1860.
Charlotte M., b. Nov. 23, 1821.
Mary A. Mowry, b. Jan. 10, 1824; d. Jan. 7, 1826.
Edwin S., b. June 5, 1826.
Asa, b. June 2, 1828; d. Oct. 2, 1849.
Henry B., b. March 13, 1832.

250. SAMUEL S. MOWRY, son of Wanton; married [1] CANDICE MOWRY, daughter of William (descended from John).

CHILD.

580. Mary Adaline, b. Feb. 6, 1828; not married.

Married [2] LUCINDA TEMPLE, of Marlboro', Mass.

CHILDREN.

581. Wanton; dead.
582. Philip; lives in Marlboro', Mass.
583. Eliza; dead.
584. Samuel.

251. ALANSON MOWRY, son of Wanton ; married [1] Amey Harris (?).

CHILDREN.

585. Stephen; died ; not married.
586. Caroline ; died.

Married [2] Lucinda Mowry, widow of his brother Samuel S.

CHILDREN.

587. Henry ; lives in Marlboro', Mass.
588. Lydia ; died.
589. Rensselaer.
590. Charles.

255. FENNER MOWRY, son of Benedict ; married [1] Fidelia Smith, daughter of Lindon Smith, of Glocester, R. I.

CHILDREN.

591. Phebe S. ; died, aged 18.
592. Simon B., b. June 22, 1831.
593. Rensselaer L., b. June 21, 1833.
594. Orville ; died, aged 3 years.

Married [2] Sarah Monroe, of Pawtucket, R. I. No children.

256. PHEBE AMEY MOWRY, daughter of Benedict ; married Albert Cook, son of Ariel. He was born April 13, 1812 ; died Aug. 3, 1878, aged 66 years.

CHILD.

Phebe.

The following notice of Mr. Cook's death appeared in the *Woonsocket Patriot* of Aug. 3, 1878: —

"This old resident, who has lived in Woonsocket forty-two years, died this morning, at his residence on South Main Street, aged 60 years.

"Mr. Cook was a son of the late Ariel Cook, and was born near Cumberland Hill. He settled in Woonsocket in 1836, and was employed in the cotton mill of the late George C. Ballou for eight or ten years. He then went into the grocery business, and remained in it till about fifteen years ago. After that time, for several years, he was interested in the Bailey Washing Machine Company. During the recent years he has been in no active business, but was president of the Citizens Savings Bank at the time of his death.

"Mr. Cook was thrice married, his last wife (Elizabeth Comstock, of Union Village) having preceded him to the grave two years. Of the family, three sons survive: Simeon and Benedict, both interested in the Woonsocket Machine Company; Charles, absent in the West; and a daughter, who lives at home. Three brothers of the deceased live in this town, — Horace, John, and A. Lindsey Cook; while a fourth brother lives at Cumberland Hill, and is cashier of the Cumberland National Bank.

"Mr. Cook has been in declining health for upwards of a year. He was a good citizen, a sociable man, and leaves many friends to mourn his final departure."

257. CALEB B. MOWRY, son of Amasa; married Amelia C. Stoddard, *née* Langley.

CHILDREN.

595. Caleb Frank, b. May 17, 1853.
596. George Henry, b. Sept. 18, 1855.

Caleb B. was a farmer, and lived in Burrillville. He died Feb. 28, 1863.

258. ELISHA S. MOWRY, son of Amasa. When he was a young man he went West, and we have no knowledge of his family, if he had one.

259. AMEY MOWRY, daughter of Amasa; married Moses Daniels, of Blackstone. No knowledge of the family.

260. WILLARD A. MOWRY, son of Amasa; married Mary Harris, of Smithfield. No children.

261. CHARLES MOWRY, son of Amasa, born Dec. 17, 1812; married Sept. 10, 1840, Emeline Brown, daughter of Stephen, of Burrillville, R. I.

CHILDREN.

597. Caroline B., b. Nov. 5, 1843.
598. Adin Ballou, b. Nov. 17, 1846; d. aged 6 mos.
599. Emma J., b. Aug. 31, 1850.
600. Frank P., b. March 11, 1853.

Charles Mowry was a prominent business man for many years. He carried on butchering and the sale of meat at Slatersville and elsewhere. He now resides at Pawtucket, R. I.

262. WILLIAM S. MOWRY, son of Amasa; married Lucy Bartlett.

CHILDREN.

601. William.
602. Furmer.
603. Herbert Elisha.
604. Sophia.
605. Anne.

William S. Mowry lived for many years on his father's homestead, near Ironstone, Uxbridge, Mass. He was a farmer, and dealer in stock and horses.

263. AMASA MOWRY, JR., son of Amasa. In early life he took the advice afterwards so liberally given by Horace Greeley, and "went West."

264. SMITH RAY MOWRY, son of Stephen, born Aug. 13, 1808; married [1] June 11, 1837, DIANA ALDRICH, daughter of Daniel. She died June, 1847.

CHILDREN.

606. Andrew A., b. October, 1838.
607. Marcus Morton, b. July, 1840; not married.
608. Emeline M., b. August, 1842; not married; teacher.
609. An infant daughter, June, 1847.

Married [2] October, 1856, ADELIA BALLOU, daughter of William, of Smithfield. No children.

Smith Ray Mowry was a member of the Smithfield town council in 1836, 1837, and 1838.

272. SCOTT W. MOWRY, son of Smith, born July 7, 1808, in Glocester, R. I.; married [1] MARY HUNT, March, 1834, daughter of Pardon, of Glocester. No children.

Married [2] April, 1846, AMEY HUNT (sister to Mary).

CHILDREN.

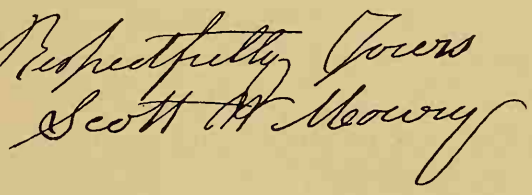
610. Mary Hunt, b. March 31, 1847; not married.
611. Helen Smith, b. June 14, 1852; not married.
612. Walter Scott, b. May 20, 1850; drowned in September, 1869.
613. Herbert Winsor, b. Feb. 1, 1858.

Scott W. Mowry learned the trade of a mill-wright with his father, and remained with him till he was twenty-four years of age. In 1832 he removed to Pontiac, R. I., and

took charge of a cotton factory as superintendent. After three years in Pontiac, he commenced manufacturing for himself in Chepachet, R. I. With his father and brother Brown he bought the Spring Grove Mill, which they run, together with another small mill, till 1852.

From this beginning he has been actively engaged in the manufacture of cotton goods till the present time. From 1853 till 1864 he was the agent and treasurer of the Manchaug Mills, in Sutton, Mass. Poor health compelled him to take a rest; and having made an extended tour through the Western country and a trip to Europe, he embarked in the "Ashland Cotton Co.," of Jewett City, Conn., of which he was agent and treasurer, and with this company he has maintained a connection as buying agent and director till the present time. Since 1868 he has been agent and treasurer of the "Slater Cotton Co.," of Pawtucket, R. I., which makes the famous "Pride of the West" goods, so well known. Mr. Mowry has therefore been for forty-five years actively and extensively engaged in the manufacture of cotton goods.

Below is given a fac-simile of his handwriting.



He is a man of unblemished character and reputation; honest, public-spirited, generous, of wide observation and general intelligence, excellent judgment, and thoroughly honorable, he is honored and respected by his business associates, and a wide circle of friends and acquaintances.

273. MARY ANN MOWRY, daughter of Smith, born July 30, 1810; married GEORGE EDDY, of Glocester. She died July 23, 1874.

CHILDREN.

Sarah; m. Albert Reynolds; live in Glocester.
Ellen; m. —— Woodworth; not living.
Amanda; m. John Webster; live in Hartford, Ct.
George S.; m. —— Steere, Central Falls.

274. BROWN MOWRY, son of Smith, born May 17, 1812; married ANNA PAINE, daughter of Stephen, of Glocester. She was born Aug. 13, 1825, and died in Saratoga, July 18, 1877, aged 52.

CHILDREN.

614. Byron A., b. July 29, 1848; d. at Hallowell, Me., Feb. 27, 1858.
615. Elliott, b. Jan. 2, 1850.
616. Ann B., b. Dec. 24, 1865.

Brown Mowry in his younger years was a mill-wright with his father Smith, who was one of the most famous men in that trade in Rhode Island in his day. He had great mechanical skill, which he could develop in almost any direction, but it was most conspicuous in his trade of making water-wheels and their attachments for large manufactories.

In 1848, or about that time, he commenced manufacturing with his brother Scott W. and his father at Chepachet. Since that time he has been variously engaged in the cotton business, but mostly as superintendent of mills. He is now superintendent of the "Victory Mills," in Victory, Saratoga Co., N. Y. He is an estimable man, capable and honest.

276. JACKSON EDWARDS MOWRY, son of Smith, born July, 1818; married ANN DARLING, daughter of Angell D., of Glocester. He had three children. One is dead, and a son and daughter are now living. They live in West Glocester.

279. ANN MOWRY, daughter of Smith, born 1824; married PHILIP POTTER, of Glocester. They have two children, and live in Olneyville.

280. CHECKLEY A. MOWRY, son of Smith, born 1826; married a lady from Chestnut Hill, Conn., — name is not known to the writer. He has one or two children.

281. SARAH MOWRY, daugter of Smith, born about 1828; married GEORGE KING, of Glocester. He is not living. They had two daughters.

282. ALBERT MOWRY, son of Smith, born about 1830; married —— SAYLES. They live at Greenville, R. I., and have one child.

283. WATERMAN MOWRY, son of Gideon, born in 1795; married.

CHILDREN.

627. Albert Waterman, b. Dec. 31, 1821, at Winfield, N. Y.
628. Lydia Lucinda, b. May 2, 1824; died Oct. 5, 1825.
629. Semantha Desdemona, b. March 29, 1826; died March 30, 1827.
630. Ellen, b. May 29, 1829; died July 8, 1846.
631. David Smith, b. July 14, 1832; died March 10, 1833.

Waterman Mowry lived in Winfield, Herkimer Co., N. Y., and Hopkinton, R. I.

284. URANIA MOWRY, daughter of Uriah ; married WANTON VALLETT.

286. WILLIAM MOWRY, son of Uriah, born September, 1797.

CHILDREN.

632. Delia.
633. Anne.
634. William Nelson.
635. George.
636. Aziel.
637. Daniel Congdon.

287. URIAH MOWRY, JR., son of Uriah, born in 1790, in Burrillville, R. I.

CHILD.

638. E. S.

295. DUTEE MOWRY, son of Caleb, born Feb. 14, 1798 ; married [1] HANNAH (?) SAYLES, daughter of Stephen.

CHILDREN.

639. Scott Sayles ; died, 5 years old.
640. Infant.

Married [2] MALANCY VOSE, daughter of Amariah, of Woonsocket. No children.

Dutee Mowry is now living in Woonsocket, at the advanced age of 80.

296. URANAH MOWRY, daughter of Caleb, born May 22, 1800 ; married CHARLES BOWEN, son of Thomas, of Northbridge, Mass. He was born Sept. 16, 1800. She died June 26, 1872, aged 72.

CHILDREN.

Sarah Elizabeth, b. Nov. 22, 1825 ; d. Dec. 13, 1853.
Ann Maria, b. Aug. 14, 1827 ; d. Aug. 29, 1829.
Smith, b. Aug. 20, 1830.
Isaac, b. May 29, 1834.
Nancy Emeline, b. Jan. 29, 1838.
Mary Ellen, b. May 17, 1840.

Mr. Bowen lives in Worcester, Mass.

297. BARNEY MOWRY, son of Caleb, born May 3, 1804; married [1] Jan. 21, 1829, PHILA MOWRY (No. 480), daughter of Amasa.

CHILDREN.

641. Orin Pratt, b. May 24, 1829.
642. Albert, b. March 9, 1831.
643. Arlon, b. Feb. 23, 1833.
644. Stafford, b. April 14, 1835.
645. Atwell, b. Nov. 18, 1836.

Married [2] URANAH STEERE, daughter of Peoli Steere.

CHILD.

646. Erwin Arista, b. Dec. 8, 1847.

298. MARTHA MOWRY, daughter of Robert, born in 1798; married in 1822, JESSE PAINE, son of Obed Paine. She died in 1825, aged 27.

CHILD.

Laura; married [1] Edwin Burlingame; m. [2] Joseph O. Mowry, son of Silas.

301. GEORGE A. MOWRY, son of Robert, born April 19, 1804; married April 20, 1828, NANCY JACK, of Cecil Co., Md. She was born Oct. 25, 1806.

CHILDREN.

647. Martha, b. March 5, 1829, in Steuben Co., N. Y.
648. Jesse, b. Feb. 3, 1831, in Steuben Co., N. Y.
649. Thomas, b. Jan. 19, 1833, in Steuben Co., N. Y.
650. George, b. April 7, 1835, in Steuben Co., N. Y.
651. Robert, b. May 23, 1837, in Steuben Co., N. Y.
652. Margaret, b. Oct. 20, 1839, in Steuben Co., N. Y.
653. Welcome, b. April 3, 1842, in Putnam Co., Ill.
654. Mary, b. May 17, 1844, in Putnam Co., Ill.; died April 13, 1862.
655. Nancy, b. Dec. 21, 1846, in Putnam Co., Ill.

When George A. Mowry was about ten years of age, his father, grandfather, uncle Caleb, brother Thomas, and sister Laura died, all within a few years. He learned the carpenter's trade, built a house for Walter Allen, did other jobs, and in the spring of 1824, being twenty years of age, he went to Steuben County, N. Y., and bought eighty-five acres of land, at $1.50 per acre. He put up a log cabin and a framed barn, set out an orchard, cleared about thirty acres, and in 1841 exchanged it for 280 acres in Bureau County, Ill. After this he went South, over the Illinois River, into Putnam County, and within ten years he broke about one thousand acres of wild prairie land. He then recrossed the river, put up a shanty, and commenced improvements. Here he has now lived more than a quarter of a century, with as nice a place as one need wish for. The best of his land is now worth $50 an acre. It is presumed that he considers he has done some hard work within these fifty years and more of Western life. Although he has travelled over 5,000 miles by land, he has never rode in a rail-car or a steamboat. For more than thirty years

he has been a member of the Society of Friends; but he has preached in various places, and held meetings, more or less, as a missionary, for more than fifty years. He has written and published several tracts upon religious subjects.

302. DIANA MOWRY, daughter of Robert, born March 22, 1807; married Nov. 15, 1827, FREDERICK W. CASE, of Corning, Steuben Co., N. Y.

CHILDREN.

Robert M., b. July 29, 1828; died March 5, 1839.
John K., b. Nov. 8, 1830.
Mary R., b. Dec. 21, 1832.
William F., b. Nov. 13, 1834; died Dec. 18, 1854.
Diana F., b. Oct. 20, 1839.
George M., b. May 15, 1841; died Aug. 15, 1841.
Sarah A., b. July 29, 1843.
James M., b. Dec. 4, 1847; died April 28, 1848.

303. SUSAN MOWRY, daughter of Robert, b. 1808; married Dec. 18, 1826, MELTIAH WARE. She died in 1841, aged 33, at Cairo, Ill.

CHILDREN.

Ann Frances, b. in 1828; died 1832.
Ellen, b. in 1830.
Leonard, b. in 1833.

304. REV. ROBERT MOWRY, son of Robert; married in 1833, MARY WILLARD. No children.

Rev. Robert Mowry went to Hornersville, N. Y. He was a Methodist local preacher. He preached the first sermon, held the first prayer-meeting, married the first

couple, at Neosha Falls, Woodson Co., Kansas, where he now lives.

305. MARY MOWRY, daughter of Robert; married WILLIAM JOHNSON.

CHILDREN.

William.
Joanna.

They live in Watertown, Mass.

311. GARDNER MOWRY, son of Arnold, b. Sept. 13, 1805; married January, 1835, CHLOE ANN TAFT, daughter of Elkanah, of Blackstone. He died Nov. 17, 1843, aged 38.

CHILD.

656. Arnold, b. Nov. 27, 1836.

Arnold enlisted in Co. H, Fifteenth Massachusetts Infantry, Jan. 20, 1862; died at Yorktown, Va., of fever, April 24, 1862, aged 25.

312. MARIA MOWRY, daughter of Arnold, born June 10, 1808; married April 17, 1829, SAMUEL TAFT, son of Genery, of Mendon. She died Nov. 28, 1873, aged 64.

CHILDREN.

Olive, b. June 10, 1831; d. Jan. 14, 1856.
Henry Millens, b. April 20, 1834.

314. CALEB MOWRY, JR., son of Caleb, born in Boston, March 5, 1803; married April 4, 1824, in Boston, VIRTUE VILUS, daughter of Samuel Vilus. She was born Oct. 22, 1804.

CHILDREN.

657. Amanda, b. Dec. 7, 1825, in Uxbridge, Mass.
658. Charlotte, b. June 8, 1827, in Griswold, Ct.
659. Charles Leonard, b. March 29, 1829, in Griswold, Ct.
660. Mary H., b. Oct. 7, 1831, in Griswold, Ct.
661. Albert Slater, b. June 18, 1837, in Fitchburg, Mass.
662. Almon Thwing, b. June 19, 1842, in Millbury, Mass.

Caleb Mowry, Jr., is an overseer of carding in a woolen manufactory in Walpole, Mass.

316. EMILY MOWRY, daughter of Caleb, born in Mendon, Oct. 13, 1814; married Aug. 18, 1833, WILLIAM C. BOYDEN, son of Deacon Amos, of Mendon. He was born May 11, 1811.

CHILDREN.

Mary Amanda, b. Aug. 16, 1834, in Mendon.
William Collins, b. April 3, 1836, in Mendon.
Sanford H., b. Dec. 20, 1838, in Mendon.
Decatur M., b. Aug. 21, 1840, in Mendon.
Emily Frances, b. Jan. 19, 1845, in Mendon; died August, 1846.
Emily Ann, b. Jan. 10, 1848.
Reuben M., b. Dec. 19, 1853.
Amey Leona, b. May 23, 1856, in Woonsocket, R. I.

Mr. Boyden lives in South Walpole, Mass.

317. DECATUR MOWRY, son of Caleb, born Sept. 30, 1816, in Mendon, Mass.; married ELIZA A. BOYNTON, of Norton, Mass. He died July 31, 1856, in Natick, Mass., aged 40.

CHILDREN.

663. Eliza Maria.
664. Clara ; died July, 1856.
665. Decatur, Jr. ; died.

Till 1849 Decatur Mowry was a successful woolen manufacturer, when his factory was burned, with a loss of $60,000.

318. BAINBRIDGE MOWRY, son of Caleb, born July 23, 1818, in Mendon ; married Aug. 25, 1841, EMILY F. CARROLL, daughter of Joseph, of Walpole, Mass.

CHILDREN.

666. Junius Bainbridge, b. July 20, 1842, in Dedham.
667. Ella Frances, b. Dec. 24, 1847, at Walpole.

Bainbridge Mowry was a school-teacher, woolen manufacturer, merchant, and for more than twenty years employed by the Union Steam Works, Foxboro', Mass.

319. ALBERT MOWRY, son of Caleb, born April 20, 1822, at Mendon, Mass. ; married Aug. 23, 1844, HOPE H. SHAW, daughter of Ellis Shaw, of Plymouth. She was born Dec. 23, 1823.

CHILDREN.

668. Albert Wesley, b. May 25, 1845, at Halifax, Mass.
669. Frederick Taft, b. March 28, 1847. He is a boot and shoe clerk, in Brockton, Mass. Not married.
670. Caleb Ellis, b. Oct. 13, 1849 ; d. Oct. 15, 1849, in Halifax.

671. Flora Isabella, b. July 28, 1851, at Natick. She is married, and lives at Brockton. No children.
672. Nellie Louise, b. March 24, 1857, in Brockton.
673. Clara Addie, b. July 23, 1860, in Brockton.
674. Herbert Austin, b. May 31, 1863; d. Oct. 15, 1867.
675. Maud Evans, b. July 17, 1867.

Albert Mowry is a mechanic and lives at Brockton, Mass.

320. REUBEN RAWSON MOWRY, son of Caleb, born April 5, 1826, in Mendon.

He left home Jan. 22, 1852, for California. At Havana he fell through a scuttle on board a steamer, injuring himself internally. He crossed the Isthmus on foot, and embarked at Panama for San Francisco. He was taken sick on the passage, with hemorrhage of the bowels. He arrived at San Francisco, Feb. 29, 1852, and died in a private hospital, having had good care, March 6, 1852, aged nearly 26 years.

321. ANNA RAWSON MOWRY, daughter of Caleb, born Sept. 13, 1827; married June 11, 1848, CYRUS MORTON, Jr., son of Dr. Cyrus, of Halifax, Mass. He was born July 26, 1826.

CHILDREN.

Ella Clarinda, b. June 19, 1851.
Lucy Drew, b. July 26, 1854.
Twin sons, b. June 16, 1860, at West Randolph, Mass.; they died June 17 and 20.

They live at South Walpole, Mass.

330. ELIZA MOWRY, daughter of Daniel; married THOMAS ALDRICH.

332. MARY MOWRY, daughter of Daniel; married LEONARD DEAN.

333. EDWIN W. MOWRY, son of Abiel, born Sept. 21, 1820; married Jan. 23, 1845, LIVONIA THREESHIER, daughter of Henry, of Rehoboth, Mass. No children.

Edwin W. Mowry has been a member of the town council of Smithfield for several years, and was a member of the General Assembly of Rhode Island in 1848 and in 1854. He is one of the leading men of his native town.

334. PRUSHIA ANN MOWRY, daughter of Abiel, born Aug. 30, 1822; married EMOR J. ANGELL.

335. TILLINGHAST MOWRY, son of Abiel, born Nov. 20, 1824; married [1] ELIZABETH HITCHCOCK.

CHILD.

676. Jane E.

Married [2] —— ——. No children.

Married [3] ABBY ——, and had one daughter, who lives in Providence.

336. ALMIRA MOWRY, daughter of Abiel, born March 21, 1828; married ESEK HARRIS, of Burrillville.

337. GEORGE MOWRY, son of Abiel, born Sept. 20, 1833; married in Troy, N. Y., —— ——. He died in Smithfield, of consumption, August, 1861, aged 28.

339. URANAH MOWRY, daughter of George; married BENJAMIN FRANKLIN ALDRICH, of Mendon, Mass.

340. LOUISA ELVINA MOWRY, daughter of Henry, born in Providence, R. I., Sept. 30, 1840; married Feb. 13, 1865, BARON P. LOVEWELL.

CHILDREN.

Henry P., b. Oct. 27, 1866.
Anne L. C., b. Dec. 22, 1868; died Aug. 9, 1869.

Mr. Lovewell is a clerk in the U. S. Custom House, Providence, R. I.

342. JACKSON POTTER MOWRY, son of Tyler, born April 26, 1821; married in Louisville, Ky., June 1, 1845, ANGELINE C. REESE, *née* Murray. She was sister to Commodore Murray, of Narrowsburg, N. Y. She was born Jan. 3, 1812, and died Aug. 25, 1868, at Louisville, Ky., aged 56.

CHILDREN.

678. Thomas Sayles Reed, b. June 28, 1846; died May 28, 1851.
679. Sarah Ann, b. Sept. 29, 1849.
680. Theodore Tyler, b. March 28, 1853.

343. FRANCES EMILY MOWRY, daughter of Tyler, born Jan. 24, 1829; married WILLARD BALLOU, son of Willard Ballou, of Smithfield.

CHILDREN.

Almira.
Lurissa.

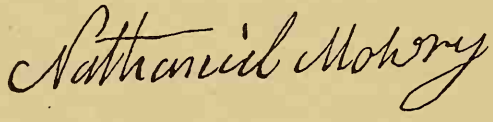
344. NATHANIEL MOWRY, son of Job, born June 23, 1772; married ASHA ALDRICH, daughter of Daniel, of Smithfield. She was born Sept. 30, 1770, and died May 8, 1848, aged 77. He died July 17, 1841, aged 69.

CHILDREN.

681. Waity Ann, b. Feb. 15, 1796.
682. Daniel A., b. Aug. 31, 1797.
683. Samuel, b. Sept. 27, 1799.
684. Burrill R., b. April 25, 1802.
685. John B., b. March 18, 1804 ; not married.
686. Manton W., b. March 11, 1806 ; not married.
687. Nelson H., b. May 20, 1808 ; not married.
688. Jonathan, b. Dec. 14, 1811 ; d. Oct. 27, 1856, aged 45.

Nathaniel Mowry was a prominent man in his day, often holding town offices. He was a farmer; intelligent and active ; a kind father and husband, a good neighbor, and a useful citizen. He brought up one of the old-fashioned families of children, who have been distinguished for strength of mind and body, integrity, and an honorable life.

His handwriting is illustrated by the following facsimile : —



345. DORCAS MOWRY, daughter of Job, born Oct. 3, 1774; married July 20, 1796, Lewis Place, son of Peter, of Glocester.

CHILDREN.

Drusilla.
Olive.
Mowry.

Lewis Place lived in Glocester, and was six feet three inches in height.

346. EPHRAIM MOWRY, son of Job, b. Dec. 23, 1777; married Jan. 8, 1797, ACHSAH HARRIS, daughter of Israel Harris, of Smithfield.

CHILDREN.

689. Paris.
690. Martin.
691. Sally.

Ephraim Mowry moved to Sherburn, Chenango Co., N. Y., in January, 1799. This journey was made with his family on an ox-sled. He was twelve days on the journey from Smithfield, R. I., to Albany, N. Y. From letters now in existence, it appears that he was there in 1810, and in 1836 he was in Amboy, Oswego Co., N. Y. He was a man of excellent character, a worthy member of community, respected by all who knew him. His son Paris lives about fifteen miles north of Rome, N. Y. We have no further information concerning his children or their families.

347. ANNE MOWRY, daughter of Job, born Dec. 1, 1784; married Sept. 20, 1801, JOB MOWRY (No. 206), son of Job. For the children, see No. 206.

350. HAVILAH MOWRY, son of Thomas, born in Scituate, R. I., November, 1776; married FANNY DIXON. She was born June 14, 1774, in Killingly, Conn., and died Aug. 9, 1809. He died April 11, 1811, in his thirty-fifth year, in Warren, N. Y.

CHILDREN.

695. Samuel, b. June 14, 1796, in Killingly, Conn.
696. Achsah, b. Sept. 3, 1798, in Killingly, Conn.

697. Sally, b. Sept. 12, 1800, in Killingly, Conn.
698. Havilah, b. March 22, 1803, in Killingly, Conn.
699. Harriet, b. June 22, 1805, in Killingly, Conn.; d. young.
700. Jared Francis, b. June 16, 1809, in Killingly, Conn.; d. 1812.

Havilah was born in Rhode Island, but early moved to Connecticut, where he resided some years, and then went to the State of New York. He taught school in Connecticut and in New York.

355. HULDAH MOWRY, daughter of Richard Mowry, born in Scituate, R. I., Dec. 30, 1775; married Oct. 27, 1810, STEPHEN BUFFINTON. He was born Feb. 5, 1744, probably in Swansea. She died Dec. 12, 1843. He died Oct. —, 1829.

CHILD.

Benjamin, born Feb. 13, 1812; not married. He died March 31, 1847.*

Stephen Buffinton was a respected member of the Society of Friends. He lived and died in Dartmouth. His son, Benjamin Buffinton, was an honest, upright, worthy man. He ever had the respect and esteem of a wide circle of friends, from his relatives, his townsmen, and the religious society of which he was a worthy member. He was a farmer, and lived upon the homestead place in Dartmouth. He was always kind and affable, and had a pleasant word

* The above dates were furnished by Isaac R. Gifford, of North Dartmouth, who was within sixty-two days of ninety years old when he penned the letter of information.

for every one. He died in Boston, while serving his town as a representative in the State Legislature. His remains were accompanied to Dartmouth by a delegation from the General Court, and the funeral services were performed after the custom of the Society of Friends.

356. GIDEON MOWRY, son of Richard, born July 7, 1778, in Uxbridge. Married [1] Oct. 3, 1799, RUTH WHEELER, daughter of Jonathan and Mary (Buffum) Wheeler, of Berlin, Mass. She was born Oct. 4, 1780; died March 1, 1816, aged 35.

CHILDREN.

701. Jonathan, b. Feb. 2, 1801.
702. Lucetta, b. Jan. 2, 1803.
703. Isabella, b. Feb. 12, 1805.
704. Phebe, b. Sept. 19, 1808.
705. Melissa, b. Aug. 28, 1811.
706. Caroline, b. April 12, 1814.

Married [2] May 6, 1818, ANNE DENNIS, daughter of Joseph and Sarah Dennis, of Pomfret, Ct. She was born in Portsmouth, R. I., Oct. 24, 1787; died July 6 (?), 1858, aged nearly 71.

CHILDREN.

707. Richard Dennis, b. Sept. 17, 1819.
708. Susan Lydia, b. Jan. 21, 1822.
709. Huldah Harris, b. Sept. 15, 1824.

Gideon Mowry died Feb. 4, 1866, aged 87 years, 6 months, and 28 days. He was for more than half a century one of the most prominent men in his town. He was a man of large intelligence, strong mind, excellent judgment, re-

markable probity of character, great personal influence, and wide usefulness. With but meagre advantages for study in youth, and without extensive travel, yet from his strong native talents, his wonderful power of careful reflection, and his broad and thoughtful reading, he came to be a very oracle among his townsmen, and many a difficult question of science, mathematics, law, medicine, philosophy, or of literature was referred to him, as a case of ultimate appeal; and his judgment was almost always taken as conclusive and final.

In his youth he had a strong desire to be a physician, but circumstances compelled him to abandon the project. He had, however, through his life quite an extended knowledge of the medicinal properties of very many roots and herbs, as well as the more generally used medicines of the old school, and he was often called on to prescribe for his friends and neighbors, as well as for his own family. He was well calculated for a lawyer or a judge, and his knowledge of law was extensive and exact. He was frequently consulted in matters involving law and justice among his townsmen, and his judgment in all such cases was eminently practical and valuable. It was, however, always upon the side of peace, if peace were possible.

He had a strong sense of justice and right; but the mild precepts of the Saviour, counseling to *suffer* wrong rather than to *do* wrong, always had a warm defender in him. Like his father, therefore, he was always a peacemaker in the community. Like his father, also, he was often called on to write wills, deeds, leases, and other legal documents.

He was frequently actively employed in public business. He held many town offices during twenty-five years of his most active life. Besides holding various other town offices, he was a member of the school committee of the town in 1830 and 1831, and selectman in 1826, 1827, 1831, 1832, 1834, 1836, and 1839. In 1832 and 1839 he was chairman of the selectmen. He was assessor of taxes in 1828, 1829, 1830, 1833, 1838, and 1844. At one time he was a candidate for the Legislature, but the opposite political party was in the majority; and though running far ahead of his ticket, he was defeated.

He had great skill and power as a debater. This power was manifested in many ways and on many occasions during his long life. It will be remembered that his entire life was passed in a rural district, several miles from any village. Yet there, among the sturdy yeomen of those times, was for many years regularly maintained a debating society, which met from week to week throughout the year, and which was conducted with great energy and remarkable success. From the records of that society, for the years 1836 to 1839, it appears that Gideon Mowry was the president through the whole time, and that during the year 1837 thirty-nine meetings were held, and thirty-two in 1838.

The society numbered about *fifty* gentlemen from that and the neighboring school districts, among whom were many men of marked talent and ability. What an influence such a series of meetings must have had upon those who participated in or listened to the discussions!

In business matters, Gideon Mowry was always a very active man. After his father, he managed the home farm

till he was seventy years of age. During much of this time he carried on an extensive business as tanner and currier, and also as shoe and boot maker, employing many hands. He was often employed as administrator in settling estates, and as guardian for minors.

In his religious life, he was by nature and by conviction a Quaker. He was emphatically a religious man. He was an active member of the Society of Friends till sometime about 1823, when he violated the technical rule of the Friends by suing a party who, he thought, had wronged him. For this offence, he would not apologize, as he believed he had done right, not wrong; and he was disowned. After this he aided materially in sustaining religious meetings in the vicinity of his home, principally of the Baptists; but after examining fully their tenets, he was not sufficiently convinced of their soundness to join them, or any other religious society. The wide-spread agitation of the doctrine of the Millerites, or the end of the world, for some years prior to 1842, attracted his earnest attention. After reading and studying with the utmost care all the prophets of the Bible, and Saint John's Apocalypse, he came to the *decided* conviction that *Miller's* views of prophecy were totally unfounded by the Scripture, and destitute both of proof and of reason.

Some years subsequent to this an effort was made by some members of the Society of Friends in his native town to have him again received as a member. He made no concession, and offered no compromise; but his name having been proposed by some prominent members, he was voted in, and again took his place among them. With some exceptions, when attending Baptist meetings in

school-houses near his home, he had always constantly attended the Friends' meeting, even while he was not a member of the society.

It was undoubtedly a pleasure and a comfort to him during his declining years to be again associated with the society of his choice, and for some years he sat at the head of the meeting. He was ever a lover of the Bible. During his later years he read but little else. At one time, when the writer called to see him, in the month of August, he found him reading the Scriptures, and so interested that he begged to be excused till he had finished his chapter. On looking over his shoulder to see where he was reading, I found it to be in the prophets. Soon after, in conversation upon the topic, I said to him, "Grandfather, you seem to love to read the Bible?" — "I love nothing so well. I read but little else." — "How much can you read? Does your eyesight serve you?" — "Very well. I use large type. *I have read the Bible through* once since the year came in, and so far again!"

His last days were passed in peaceful retirement in his native town, with his daughter, Mrs. Joseph Gaskill. He died Feb. 4, 1866, at the advanced age of 87 years, 6 months, and 28 days.

He was gathered to his fathers, like a shock of corn fully ripe for the harvest. Three days later he was laid away in the grave between his two loving wives, in the little quiet, family resting-place, which had been strongly walled in by his own hands, and a deed of which he had secured from his son-in-law, like the elder patriarch Abraham, "for a possession of a burying-place" forever; being followed to the grave by a large train of mourning

friends and neighbors, including children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren.

The following appropriate tribute to the worth of this good man was written by Gen. Henry DeWolf, a veteran of the Mexican War, and a life-long friend and neighbor of him whom it commemorates.

"I attended the funeral of my friend, Gideon Mowry, on the 7th of February, 1866. He died on the 4th, at the house of his daughter, Mrs. Gaskill. Seldom has there died in our town a man more universally respected. He was the only son of Richard Mowry, a very prominent preacher of the Society of Friends; and in early life he imbibed a lasting regard for their peculiar faith.

"Disappointed in the choice of a vocation, — that of a physician, — to which his father objected, he early in life commenced the business of a tanner, currier, and manufacturer of boots and shoes for the general market. Much of his time, however, was required by his townsmen, he having been repeatedly elected to the various town offices with great unanimity. Not only was he prominent in town affairs, but he was often employed in the settlement of estates and in boards of arbitration. His ability and sterling integrity were appreciated by all who knew him, and he was universally esteemed for his unswerving devotion to upright principles and honor. He was tenacious in his opinions without being dogmatical, and when convinced, acknowledged it at once. He was truly one of those who 'bore malice towards none, but charity to all.' The various trials of life, the loss of his son in the prime of manhood, and other afflictions, did not in the least disturb that equanimity and self-control that distinguished him through life. I have alluded to his desire for conciliation, when a dispute arose among his acquaintance, and his kind offices often prevented much expense and bad feeling. Always

on the side of peace, he would never approve of any act that could militate in the least degree against the legal rights of others. It was this settled principle that for a time caused him to be regarded by some of the Society of Friends as deficient in the orthodox faith. It happened about the time of emancipation in the British West Indies, that some of the ardent members of the meeting brought forward a petition, praying for the abolishment of slavery in all the United States. This was at once signed by all present, with the single exception of my deceased friend. Detesting, as he said, all cruelty and oppression; abhorring human slavery in every form; in favor of the largest liberty consistent with the well-being of the State, — he could not sign the paper; and the reason of his refusal was simply this, that by the Constitution, the whole question of slavery was relegated to the States respectively; that the petition did not counsel the people to pay for the slaves, differing in that regard from the parliamentary petitions; and that such a course, if persisted in by the members, would soon cause them to be regarded as no lovers of their country's peace or prosperity, and would ultimately cause discord, anarchy, and civil war.

"He perceived, almost in a prophetic manner, the ultimate result that followed; and although he lived till peace again blessed the nation, he seldom spoke of the war. During an intimate acquaintance of more than forty-five years, I have been much benefited by his counsels; and I trust you will pardon me if I am a little prolix, — a usual infirmity, I believe, of those who have lived to the age of

Your obedient servant,

HENRY DeWOLF."

The following letter is from Hon. Henry Chapin, a distinguished lawyer, and ex-mayor of the city of Worcester, Mass.

"WORCESTER, Feb. 17, 1877.

"*Dear Sir*, — My acquaintance with your honored grandfather, the late Gideon Mowry, commenced in the year 1838, soon after I opened an office in Uxbridge, and was always of the most pleasant character. He seemed to me at that time to be a venerable man, well advanced in years. He was of slender form, and pleasant and gentle in manner. He was a thoughtful man, and one who kept himself well informed upon the leading topics of the day. He had the peculiar appearance of those who have had a Quaker bringing-up, and who retain their allegiance to that Society. He was known and revered as 'Uncle Gideon.' The records of the town confirm my recollection, that he was largely honored by the people of Uxbridge. He was assessor of the town for the years 1825, 1827, 1828, 1829, 1830–1833, 1838, and 1844. He was a selectman of the town for the years 1826, 1831, 1832, 1834, 1836, and 1839. He was a member of the school committee for the years 1837 and 1839. Taking into consideration the fact that he belonged to a political party which as a rule constituted a minority of the voters, the fact of his numerous elections to such important trusts demonstrates either that his opponents were very liberal, or very appreciative of worth even in one of an opposite party from themselves. Indeed, the term *opponents* is hardly a proper term to use in speaking of those who differed from your grandfather, in reference to him. To him there always seemed to me a fit application of the couplet, —

> "'None knew him but to love him,
> None saw him but to praise.'

"He died Feb. 4, 1866, aged 87 years, 6 months, and 28 days. His first wife, Ruth Wheeler Mowry, died March 1, 1816, aged 35 years, 4 months, and 28 days. His second wife, Anne Dennis Mowry, died July, 1858, aged nearly seventy-one years.

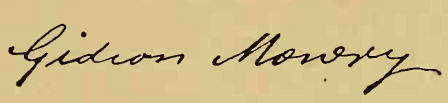
"During the latter part of his life he became considerably embarrassed in his circumstances; and in the loss of property, the death of friends, and failing health, he found his life somewhat clouded; but so far as I can learn, he retained largely his equanimity and sweetness of spirit; and when the last summons came, he went to his grave like a shock of corn fully ripe, or 'like one who wraps the drapery of his couch about him and lies down to pleasant dreams.' 'Peace to his ashes.'

Yours truly,

HENRY CHAPIN."

"WILLIAM A. MOWRY, Esq."

The fac-simile of his autograph which is given below is his signature to the constitution of the debating society before mentioned.



357. PHEBE MOWRY, daughter of Richard, born Aug. 6, 1780, in Uxbridge; married July 2, 1800, DARLING SABEN, son of Israel Saben, of Richmond, N. H. He was born Sept. 14, 1778; died Sept. 23, 1822, aged 44. She died Aug. 9, 1815, aged 35.

CHILDREN.

Mowry, b. Nov. 24, 1801.
Lucy, b. Nov. 13, 1803.
Sarah, b. Oct. 20, 1806; died July 1, 1832.
Huldah, b. July 21, 1809; died Oct. 14, 1838.
Israel, b. Sept. 1, 1811; died April 12, 1839.
Ruth, b. April 13, 1814; died April 24, 1815.

Darling Saben married [2] Hannah Sherman Dec. 5, 1817. She was born June 5, 1788; died Jan. 10, 1852.

CHILD.

Isaac, b. Dec. 30, 1818; still living in Winchester, N. H., — an excellent man and father of a family.

Darling Saben was an intelligent and upright man, a member of the Friends' Society, — a farmer in Richmond and Winchester, N. H. He died in 1822, in the prime of life, greatly beloved and respected by all who knew him.

358. WAITE MOWRY, daughter of Richard, born Feb. 4, 1783, in Uxbridge, Mass. Married Oct. 6, 1805, ALONZO THAYER. After their marriage they moved to Scipio, N. Y.

CHILDREN.

Mowry.
Sarah Mowry.
George; died young.
Elmira; died young.

The date of their birth is not known. If they are now living, it is not known where.

A letter from Sarah, in 1846, to her uncle Gideon, dated "Tymochtee, Ohio," gives her name Sarah M. Vandemark.

359. AMEY MOWRY, daughter of Richard, born Feb. 2, 1785, in Uxbridge; married Oct. 6, 1805, PAUL ALDRICH, of Northbridge. He was born Dec. 19, 1784. He died April 18, 1874, aged 89 years, 4 months. Amey died Oct. 6, 1829, aged nearly 45.

CHILDREN.

Richard, b. March 20, 1807.
Narcissa, b. April 2, 1809.
Phebe S., b. Sept. 27, 1815; died Oct. 6, 1819.

Ruth Mowry, b. Feb. 14, 1818.
Thomas Paul, b. Nov. 6, 1820.
Henry A., b. June 1, 1826.

All the children born in Northbridge, Mass.

The following account of "Uncle Paul," together with most of the dates relating to his family, were kindly furnished by Thomas P. Aldrich, Esq., of Worcester, Mass.

"Paul Aldrich was born in Richmond, N. H., and received his father's name. The family removed to the southeastern part of Northbridge, on the Blackstone River, when he was quite young. He lived with his father until he was of age, and then commenced business for himself, on a small scale, as farmer and carpenter. He bought a small tract of land, near his father's, and built himself a house and barn. He afterwards added to his farm until he owned a hundred and sixty acres, and also enlarged and increased his buildings. He remained in Northbridge until 1861 or '62, when he removed to Milford for a year or two. After leaving Milford, he settled in East Blackstone, near the Friends' meeting-house, where he lived until his death.

"He married Amey Mowry, daughter of Richard Mowry, in 1805, a few months before reaching his majority. They had six children, one of whom died young, the others surviving both parents. His wife Amey died in 1829, on the twenty-fourth anniversary of their marriage. In 1831 he married Milla Cook, with whom he lived forty years, she dying in 1871. At the age of eighty-six he married his third wife, Elizabeth Rathbun, a widow of 69; but this union was of short duration, as she died in little less than one year, leaving him again alone. After this his sister, Mrs. Phila Wheeler, lived with him until his death.

"He was strictly temperate in his habits, never using intoxicating liquors, although he furnished them for his

workmen, according to the universal custom of the times. Between the years 1830 and 1835 he abolished all use of them on his farm. He was no politician, yet he held several offices in the town. He was kind, genial, and upright; a man whose word was as good as his bond. He was a good husband, father, and neighbor; always a favorite with children, of whom he was very fond. In his quiet way, he enjoyed a good joke, both when given and taken. He was a prominent member of the Society of Friends. He was a hale, hearty old man, such as we seldom meet with in these days; and never had occasion to employ a physician for himself until the fatal illness (caused by a fall), which terminated his life.

"He died in 1874, at the advanced age of 89 years, leaving three sisters over 81 years of age."

360. SARAH MOWRY, daughter of Richard, born Aug. 14, 1788; married Oct. 31, 1810, ISRAEL SABEN, Jr., son of Israel Saben, of Richmond, N. H. He was born May 5, 1790. He died July 8, 1869, in Uxbridge, Mass., aged 79. She died June 8, 1865, in Uxbridge, Mass., aged nearly 77.

CHILDREN.

Richard Mowry, b. Oct. 7, 1811; died Oct. 10, 1829.
An infant son, b. July 6, 1813; died same day.
Waite Ann, b. Aug. —, 1814; died Nov. —, 1815.
Sarah Ann, b. Dec. 7, 1817; died Sept. 25, 1818.
Gideon Mowry, b. Feb. 8, 1819.
Israel, Jr., b. Jan. 7, 1821.
Lucy, b. April 1, 1824; not married.
Anne Mowry, b. June 11, 1826.
Sarah, b. Sept. 7, 1828; died July 23, 1829.
Huldah, b. Nov. 23, 1830; died Sept. 18, 1842.

Israel Saben was a vigorous, hard-working man, honest and energetic, a farmer in Winchester, N. H., Northbridge and Uxbridge, Mass. By his industry and intelligence he secured for himself and his family a comfortable competence, and for his honor and enterprise he was highly esteemed by his fellow-citizens and a wide circle of friends. He did much public business, and always with fidelity and despatch.

Early in life he left his native place and removed to Uxbridge, Mass. Soon after, he returned to Winchester, near his old home, and lived there several years. Subsequently he moved to Northbridge, Mass. After a few years' residence here, he removed to North Uxbridge. The remainder of his life was spent in this town. Here he died in a green old age, having entered his eightieth year.

His wife, Sarah, was distinguished for great energy, a remarkable memory, and strong attachment to her family and friends. Although suffering from ill health for many years, at times a great care to her husband and children, she was a devoted wife, a good mother, and a kind friend. She died at their home in North Uxbridge, four years before her husband, having nearly completed her seventy-seventh year.

370. JABEZ MOWRY, son of "Clark" Daniel, born July 22, 1773; married CANDICE OLNEY, daughter of Capt. Stephen Olney.

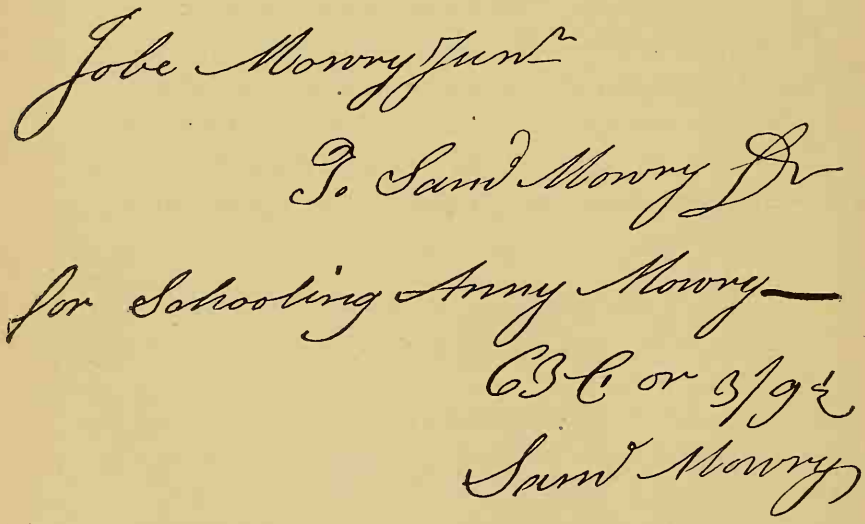
CHILDREN.

710. Edwin; not married; dead.
711. Samuel.

They had also a daughter, name not now known. They lived at Eastport, Me., and were very respectable people, remarkable for their industry and energy.

His handwriting is shown by the following fac-simile: —

371. SAMUEL MOWRY, son of "Clark" Daniel, born May 16, 1775; not married; died in Charleston, S. C., Oct. 29, 1799, aged 24 years. He taught school in his native town, and one of his school bills is reproduced below. It is made out against Job Mowry (No. 153), for the tuition of his daughter Anne (No. 347). It has no date attached, but was written about 1795.



373. REUBEN MOWRY, son of "Clark" Daniel, born Sept. 20, 1778; married Dec. 30, 1804, PHEBE SMITH, daughter of Junia Smith. She was born Oct. 13, 1784, and died Feb. 6, 1873, aged 88 years.

CHILDREN.

712. Junia S., b. July 18, 1805.
713. Lamech C., b. March 4, 1807.
714. Wilson W., b. Oct. 30, 1810; drowned Jan. 18, 1824.
715. Darwin, b. Nov. 21, 1812; died March 6, 1813.
716. Alce A., b. Sept. 12, 1814; died June 24, 1836.
717. Elisha S., b. March 21, 1817; died Dec. 9, 1817.
718. Phebe S., b. Aug. 18, 1819; died May 14, 1842.
719. Reuben M., b. Oct. 3, 1821; died June 21, 1838.
720. Jabez W., b. July 29, 1824.

Reuben Mowry was a vigorous man, a farmer and tavern-keeper in his native town. He was killed by a locomotive in Providence, June 7, 1852, aged 74.

374. THANKFUL MOWRY, daughter of "Clark" Daniel, born Aug. 18, 1780; married March 24, 1805, Dr. JOHN W. C. BAXTER. He was born Nov. 9, 1781, and died June 9, 1833, aged 51. She died Oct. 30, 1821, aged 41.

CHILDREN.

Delia E., b. May 14, 1806; died July 5, 1844, aged 38.
Clark Daniel, b. Sept. 28, 1807; died Oct. 4, 1808.
John C., b. March 30, 1809.
Moses, b. June 28, 1810.
Amey M., b. June 8, 1812.
Samuel, b. Dec. 30, 1814.
Caroline S., b. Aug. 11, 1819.

They lived upon a part of the old homestead, in the house now the residence of Burrill R. Mowry.

376. GIDEON MOWRY, son of "Clark" Daniel, born May 11, 1784; married [1] Nov. 24, 1808, AMEY ANGELL, daughter of Jonathan. She died Jan. 8, 1842, aged 57. He died Nov. 15, 1865, aged 81.

CHILDREN.

722. Thomas Steere, b. Aug. 10, 1809.
723. Susanna Caroline, b. April 19, 1824; d. young.
724. Simon Boliver, b. Sept. 10, 1826.

Married [2] SUSAN OLNEY, widow, sister of Amey, his first wife. No children.

Married [3] MARY ANN HALL, widow, *née* Mathewson. No children.

Gideon Mowry was a strong, vigorous man, physically and mentally. He was one of the long line of fathers and sons, who lived in the "Captain Joseph" house, and managed the old homestead, so long in the family. He was something of a mathematician, and a well-used copy of the famous "Pike's Arithmetic," with his name written in the fly-leaf, in a bold, elegant handwriting, is now in the possession of the writer.

377. THOMAS MOWRY, son of "Clark" Daniel, born Sept. 20, 1785; married [1] June 9, 1811, MARTHA HARRIS, daughter of Jonathan. She was born Sept. 15, 1790, and died Aug. 6, 1819, aged 29. He died June 13, 1872, aged nearly 87.

CHILDREN.

725. Immer Earl, b. Sept. 24, 1812.
726. Martha Harris, b. June 7, 1818.

Married [2] Jan. 18, 1821, POLLY BUFFUM, *née* Childs, widow of Gaskill Buffum. She was born Jan. 6, 1785, and died Feb. 20, 1842, aged 57. No children.

Thomas Mowry was a strong and vigorous man, both mentally and physically. He was one of those men, of whom we have too few, that do their own thinking. He received his opinions from the *ipse dixit* of no man. He read for himself and thought for himself. It would not be strange, therefore, if he did not agree in all things with those with whom he was surrounded. He was one of that line of families who lived in the "Captain Joseph" house, but finally left it, and moved to Providence, where he died in 1872, at the advanced age of 86 years, 8 months, and 24 days.

378. DANIEL MOWRY, JR., son of "Clark" Daniel, born June 15, 1788; married [1] Dec. 6, 1818, RUTH FARNUM, daughter of Stephen. She died at Oxford, Mass., June 11, 1844.

CHILDREN.

727. Maloney, b. Aug. 18, 1819; not married.
728. Daniel, b. Oct. 2, 1823.
729. Ruth F., b. Sept. 26, 1829.

Married [2] Oct. 6, 1844, ELIZA FARNUM, widow of Stephen Farnum, Jr., and sister of David Angell, of Providence, R. I.

CHILD.

730. Eliza A., b. Aug. 14, 1845.

She is a teacher in North Providence; not married.

Daniel Mowry worked on his father's farm in his earlier years. While quite young, he acquired a taste for reading, and improved every opportunity to inform himself in the common studies of the day; and not feeling satisfied with the meagre advantages of the schools of his native town, he, with others, employed a teacher from Boston as a private tutor. In this way he acquired a fair education for those days. Afterwards he taught school for a short time. Just before the war of 1812, he emigrated to the Lake Erie country. The war broke out, and he then returned to Rhode Island, and was appointed agent of the Nightingale Corporation, now Georgiaville, in Smithfield.

This was one of those large cotton manufacturing companies which had so rapidly started up in southern New England within a few years after the successful efforts of Samuel and John Slater in applying water power to machinery for carding, spinning, and weaving cotton.

This agency he held nine years, during which time he became mortgagee of the paper mill about a mile up the same stream. Being obliged to take possession of the paper mill for security, he commenced the manufacture of various kinds of paper, and continued the business about four years. Sickness compelled him to leave the mill. After one year in Burrillville, upon the place subsequently known for a long time as the "Squire Jerry" Mowry (No. 180) place, he moved to Providence, where he opened a paper warehouse.

To secure the payment of a debt for paper, he was compelled to take a printing-office, and here he commenced the publishing business. The files before me show that July

25, 1829, he published a weekly paper, called *The Microcosm;* March 18, 1830, a tri-weekly, called *The Rhode Island American;* and Jan. 1, 1831, a daily, called the *Daily Advertiser.* This was one of the earliest daily papers, if not the first, published in Rhode Island. He continued the publishing of these papers for some years, with Benjamin F. Hallett as editor.

Subsequently, he bought a large farm in South Uxbridge, about a mile west from Ironstone, and about a mile east from the Gideon Mowry (No. 356) place. Here he displayed great ability, as well as industry, in reclaiming worthless land. The place is now the property and the residence of John C. Baxter, son of Dr. John and Thankful (No. 374).

After a ten years' residence in Uxbridge, he lived for a time at Oxford, and died in Worcester, Sept. 7, 1870, aged 82. A good idea of his character and ability may be gained from the two notices of his death, — the first from a Providence paper, and the second from a Worcester paper.

Death of an Old Publisher.

"Daniel Mowry, recently deceased in Worcester, neared the ripe age of eighty-two years. He was a native of Smithfield; and without special educational advantages, became a sound business man. He published *The Microcosm*, *The Rhode Island American*, and the *Daily Advertiser*, in this city, papers which had a good influence in their day, being under the editorial charge of Benjamin F. Hallett.

"Mr. Mowry was eminently an honest man. He had an innate love of truth, and was fearless in its expression, as he saw it."

From the Worcester Spy.

"Died in this city, on the 8th instant, Daniel Mowry, aged 82 years. Mr. Mowry was born June 15, 1788, at Smithfield, R. I., the residence of his worthy ancestors for several generations. He was well known for many years as 'Daniel Mowry, 3d,' his grandfather, father, and himself bearing the same name at the same time, — a period in New England history when *middle names* had not come into fashion, and would have been frowned at as ostentatious superfluities and apish aristocracy. [The writer might have added that his grandfather's *father* was also named Daniel.]

"Daniel Mowry, 2d, had nine children, of whom three died early, and six were long-lived. The special subject of this notice, as above stated, died at the age of 82; one brother at 86, another at 81, and a sister at 85. Two brothers survive, — one aged 85, and the other 79. Their father died in his 90th year. [He might have added that their grandfather died at 77, and their great-grandfather at 90.]

"Daniel Mowry, 3d, was well endowed in body and soul, and his natural gifts never grew rusty. The opportunities for learning, as the term is commonly used, were meagre in his native town, as they must have generally been, in a State where public education was proverbially neglected, not to say defiantly set at naught, — a neglect, however, long gone by.

"But there is an education, which laws cannot enforce, nor money buy, — to get which, what are called disadvantages make golden opportunities, and the loss of classic refinement is more than made up by the gain of homespun common-sense. Young Mowry made the most of what was in him by nature, and of the raw materials around him. Of the latter, the stock was not small. Freedom was at home in Rhode Island, — freedom to think and

speak ; and a community of drab Quakers and Rogereen Roundheads was a commixture of elements which, in spite of sectarian forms and nasal worship, helped mightily to individualize and strengthen souls.

"His self-education was not of the head only. The moral sentiment germinated in him early, and grew with his growth. It started in the right place, and by the right means. Religion had a home where he first had his, and an earnest mother's prayers were its first accents. As her strong spirit went up to heaven, it shed gentle dews to nourish his tender soul. What was so early and well begun, was as the beginning of a current that never ceases to flow, and the unconscious blessing of infancy became his safeguard in the battle of life, his solace in adversity, and his serene hope in death.

"Mr. Mowry spent the flower of his manhood in Providence, as proprietor and publisher of the *Microcosm*, the *Rhode Island American*, and the *Daily Advertiser*, — journals animated and effective, as might well be presumed from the joint enterprise of Daniel Mowry as general agent, and Benjamin F. Hallett as editor, in his palmy and most creditable days.

"Honest, earnest, fearless, and philanthropic, Mr. Mowry conscientiously sought, and steadily pursued, the path of duty, whether with the many or with the few, esteeming much more the cause of truth and justice than the applause of party, or the best gifts it might bestow."

His handwriting is illustrated by the following facsimile: —

380. OLIVE MOWRY, daughter of William, born Aug. 13, 1783 ; maried March 12, 1809, Farnum Harris. He was born Aug. 4, 1778.

CHILDREN.

Lucy, b. Nov. 20, 1810.
Abigail, b. July 5, 1812.
Susan Anna, } b. April 22, 1817.
Diana, }
Elisha M., b. June 11, 1821; not married.
Wanton M., b. Sept. 8, 1823.

381. WANTON MOWRY, son of William, born Sept. 19, 1785; married Jan. 1, 1812, ALPHA PAINE, daughter of John, of Woonsocket. No children.

382. DIANA MOWRY, daughter of William, born Sept. 21, 1788; married JOHN VEAZIE.

CHILD.

John; not married.

385. HARRIS JENCKS MOWRY, son of William, born April 27, 1796; married [1] July 11, 1822, SALLY ANN BALLOU, daughter of Dexter, of Woonsocket.

CHILDREN.

731. Abigail Ballou, b. May, 15, 1823; died May 6, 1827.
732. Harriet Jencks, b. April 20, 1825.

Married [2] in 1827, LAURA BAKER THAYER, of Mendon.

CHILDREN.

733. Adaline Amanda, b. Dec. 29, 1827; died Jan. 1, 1846.
734. Albert Erastus, b. June 7, 1829.

735. William Harris, b. March 13, 1830 ; died at sea about 1858.
736. Charles Frederick, b. April 14, 1833 ; died Aug. 22, 1833.

Married [3] June 15, 1834, Fanny Capron Scott, daughter of Elisha Scott, of Bellingham, and granddaughter of Philip Capron, of Cumberland.

CHILDREN.

737. Susan Anna, b. Aug. 25, 1835.
738. Elisha Capron, b. Dec. 26, 1836.
739. Sarah Jane, b. May 23, 1839.
740. George Waterman, b. Oct. 24, 1844.
741. Lewis Philip, b. July, 1847 ; died June 30, 1848.

Married [4] Jemima Hollingsworth, *née* Seamans. No children.

He died in Sheboygan, Wis., in September, 1854.

Major Harris Jencks Mowry, youngest son of William and Susannah Mowry, received what for the time would have been called a good education, and in his early manhood he taught school in Rhode Island and in New York. He learned the silversmith's trade, but soon left it to engage in mercantile pursuits, and for a number of years was so engaged in Woonsocket, R. I., and later in life in Providence and in Sheboygan, Wis.

About the time of the Dorr Rebellion, so called, he was in the foundry business in Providence, and for several years owned and operated the old Eddy Street Foundry, made memorable by the meeting therein of the Dorr legislature. He was possessed of rare mechanical genius, which on more than one occasion, by turning his attention to trades he

had never learned, enabled him to recover rapidly from business disasters.

During early manhood he held several public offices, military and civil, for quite a period acting as trial justice in his native town. He was by nature a warm partisan, and in the troubles of 1842 was a zealous and active supporter of the Dorr movement; and upon the suppression thereof, was, with the leaders of that movement, obliged for a time to "go into exile." He was a member of the Masonic and Odd Fellow fraternities, taking a high degree in each, and died a member of the Episcopal Church in Sheboygan, Wis., of which he was senior warden.

393. SMITH MOWRY, son of Sylvester, born March 17, 1795; married Sept. 23, 1823, AMEY DEXTER, daughter of Lewis, of Smithfield, R. I.; died at Charleston, S. C., March 15, 1861. She died May 9, 1874.

CHILDREN.

742. Lewis Dexter, b. June 22, 1824.
743. Elisha Cook, b. Sept. 16, 1826.
744. Edward Smith, b. Aug. 31, 1828.
745. Lydia Comstock, b. Jan. 2, 1831; died Sept. 6, 1832.
746. William Sylvester, b. Dec, 4, 1832.
747. Lydia Comstock, b. Sept. 11, 1835, in Smithfield.
748. Albert, b. Sept. 10, 1839, in Smithfield; died Aug. 22, 1842, at New Rochelle, N. Y.

Smith Mowry, eldest son of Sylvester, was born in Smithfield, R. I., "a little State peopled with hardy and industrious farmers, and thrifty and noble women; noted also for its quarries and manufactures. There, amid these

solid associations, his character received its first impressions of earnestness, simplicity, and indefatigable diligence." He moved to Charleston, S. C., about 1816, and on Sept. 23, 1823, having returned home, he married Amey, the youngest daughter of Lewis Dexter, of Smithfield, carrying her at once to his Southern home. During their married life of thirty-eight years, she was ever a true wife and a devoted mother; and in her last years, exposed to the bitter experiences of the South, during the late war, and to the sufferings which followed upon that war, she developed a magnificent courage and fortitude.

He was for many years a successful cotton factor, and "maintained a character of high integrity and honor as a merchant of Charleston, and occupied positions of eminent usefulness and responsibility." He was active in many of the enterprises of his adopted home at the South; "an energetic director of the South Carolina Railroad Co., and was among the foremost to suggest the building of the Northeastern Railroad, of which company he was a director up to the time of his decease. His earnest perseverance and energy mainly contributed to the perfection and completion of the enterprise." He was also the president of the Southwestern Telegraph Co.

Of his life of forty-three years in Charleston, one wrote: "Of this generous and enterprising life, of its industry and success, of the great respect and high esteem he won to himself, amid all the fluctuations and changes incident to such a business as his has been, all bear truthful witness. Of him, in very truth it can be said, that his word was as good as his bond, for none stood higher than he, for strict honesty, for undeviating uprightness, and

unvarying truth and candor. His manners were mild and unassuming, and free from ostentation."

His father, a New England farmer, gave to Smith, when he came of age, a certain portion of lumber from his farm, for his own. Smith drew it into Providence, determined to ship it South, thinking to realize more by so doing. On Water Street he sought to get it shipped of a captain who had a vessel then loading for Charleston. The captain had never seen him before, and hesitated about taking his lumber; when a by-stander said to the captain, "Why, he is *Smith Mowry;* you can trust him." So the lumber was shipped.

When he first came to Charleston, an entire stranger, he found it very difficult to secure the business he sought. He was a very early riser, and one morning, at an early hour, he was wandering on one of the wharves of the city, when he was accosted by a sea-faring man, like himself a stranger in Charleston, who said to him, "Young man, can you inform me of some reliable person to whom I can consign my cargo of corn?" Mr. Mowry replied to him, "I am not acquainted in this city, but I am determined to establish myself here, and if you will trust to me your corn, I think I will be able to satisfy you." For a moment or two the captain studied the face of Mr. Mowry, and, as he afterwards said, "pleased with its honest, confident expression," he concluded to trust him with the corn, and was well repaid for his venture.

This was the beginning of the business of both gentlemen, which afterwards grew into large proportions to both; also the beginning of a friendship between them which extended through their entire lives. "With pru-

dence for his guide, and unostentatious manners, connected with his natural economy, he was enabled to realize, during the course of his life, a handsome estate. Yet his purse was open to all the needy who required alms, and he freely and largely contributed to maintain the church, and alleviate the lot of the afflicted. In the midst of his useful, busy career, he was stricken down with a painful malady, which confined him to his bed for two months; but still, through sufferings which his physician said were continuous and most acute, he was ever patient and submissive, — an uncommon virtue in one whose life had been so active.

He was visited by religious convictions, acknowledged his condition as a sinner, who could obtain salvation from Christ alone, and cast himself by prayer upon the Divine mercy, as revealed in the Gospel. These religious exercises imparted a certain dignity and great calmness to the closing scene. He gave minute directions in reference to his funeral, a hopeful farewell to his family, and preserved a clear intelligence almost to the moment of his departure. One of his last expressions was deeply affecting. He said to a dear daughter, who had administered with inexhaustible affection for days and nights by his sick bed, 'Good-by; kiss me, Lydia,' — thus at the last showing that tender, earnest, and childlike simplicity which had so characterized his whole life."

He died March 16, 1861. His wife survived him twelve years; and together they rest in their last sleep, in the family burial-ground of the First Baptist Church of Charleston.

The *Providence Journal* quoted the following notice of his death from the *Charleston Courier:* —

Death of an Old Prominent Merchant.

"Mr. Smith Mowry, Jr., an old and highly esteemed merchant of this city, died at his residence on Meeting Street, on Friday, the 15th of March, at 3 P. M. He had been confined to his bed from a dropsical affection for the last eight weeks. Mr. Mowry was a native of Smithfield, R. I.; born on the 17th of March, 1795; and at the time of his decease was within two days of the 66th year of his age.

"He arrived in Charleston in the year 1818, and has been a resident and engaged in commercial pursuits in this city for the last forty-three years. His business has been chiefly that of a factor, and he was always known as an active, energetic, and successful merchant. A man of the strictest integrity, his word was as good as his bond. His manners were mild and unassuming, and free from ostentation. He was a liberal contributor to all enterprises calculated to advance the interest or promote the welfare of his adopted city.

"Mr. Mowry was one of the oldest factors in our city, one only remaining who commenced business about the same time as himself. The remaining survivor is our old and esteemed fellow-citizen, Mr. John C. Burckmyer.

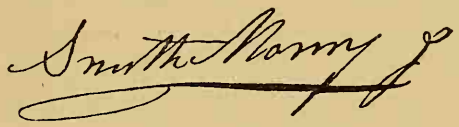
"The deceased has been for several years a director in the Union Bank of this city, also a director of the Northeastern Railroad, and was sometime president of the American Telegraph Co. He has left a family of three sons and one daughter."

The following is also from a Charleston paper, contributed over the signature "S.": —

"A Rhode Island man by birth, and one of the oldest factors in this city, Smith Mowry, Jr., died yesterday afternoon (March 15, 1860). He has been ill for two months. He has occupied some prominent positions as a

business man, and has always stood high in the community. Though long (forty-three years) a resident of Charleston, he has kept up his affection for the scenes of his childhood, and he spent a portion of last summer, as usual, in Providence and at Smithfield. He is to be buried this afternoon, from the First Baptist Church, where he has been long a prominent society member. The New England Society attend the funeral."

The following is a fac-simile of his autograph : —



394. CHARLES COOK MOWRY, son of Sylvester, born July 13, 1798 ; married Aug. 26, 1827, CELIA E. ALDRICH, daughter of David. She was born Dec. 14, 1809, and died March 27, 1843, aged 33. He died June 15, 1861, aged 63, at Providence.

CHILDREN.

749. Charles Edward, b. Aug. 5, 1828.
750. Julia Eliza, b. July 10, 1830 ; d. Sept. 27, 1830.
751. William, b. Oct. 26, 1831 ; d. Feb. 23, 1832.
752. Sylvester, b. Jan. 17, 1833.
753. Daniel Aldrich, b. July 14, 1835 ; d. May 30, 1837.
754. Henry Clay, b. Feb. 18, 1838.
755. Celia Emma, b. July 10, 1840.

All born in Providence, R. I.

Charles C. Mowry was an intelligent, active business man, for many years a merchant in Providence, R. I. He was somewhat in public life, and during the later years of his life largely engaged in land speculation at the West.

The following singularly accurate record of his life is found in the Necrology of the Rhode Island Society for the Encouragement of Domestic Industry, in their report for 1861.

CHARLES COOK MOWRY

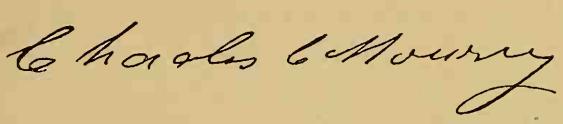
"Was admitted a member of this Society, Oct. 17, 1838. At the annual election of its officers in October, 1847, he was elected a member of the standing committee.

"Mr. Mowry was born in Smithfield, on the thirteenth day of July, 1798. His parents were Sylvester Mowry — son of Col. Elisha Mowry — and Patience, daughter of Col. William Cook, of Tiverton. He was the fourth child of his parents. He received a common school education. When about twenty-one years of age, he left his father, and came to Providence and opened a grocery store. After this he also engaged in a shipping and commission business, with varied success. He was very sanguine in all his pursuits, and of great and marked perseverance. About the year 1850 he left Providence for the West, where he was engaged in land speculation till within one or two years of his death. His operations were large, but not very successful. On the 26th of August, 1827, he married Celia Emma, daughter of David Aldrich, of Smithfield, by whom he had seven children, three of whom, with their mother, died during his life.

"Mr. Mowry was elected one of the representatives of Providence to the General Assembly, at the October session, 1837. He held the office of member of the city council of Providence from June, 1844, to June, 1848. He always retained his residence and citizenship in Providence, and never lost a vote in the State elections.

"He died at Providence on the eighteenth day of June, 1861, and was buried, with his family, in the North or City Burial-Ground."

Below is given a fac-simile of his autograph.



397. MARCIA MOWRY, daughter of Sylvester, born Sept. 27, 1802; married Sept. 10, 1837, ELISHA MOWRY JENCKS, son of General Charles. He died June 1, 1842, aged 44. No children.

Mrs. Marcia Mowry Jencks is now living in Providence, R. I., at the age of seventy-six. From one of the best families, always surrounded by well-cultured people, she is the centre of affection and interest to a wide circle of friends. Of high moral character, with intelligence, genial and social, living, not for her own personal enjoyment, but for the happiness of others, she has rightfully received and retained the highest respect, affection, and esteem of all those who know her.

399. JOHN A. MOWRY, son of Sylvester, born March 21, 1806; married Feb. 15, 1838, ALMIRA SMITH. He died Nov. 9, 1876, aged 70.

CHILDREN.

756. Harriet Eliza, b. Nov. 11, 1838; d. March 23, 1839.
757. Emory, b. Dec. 25, 1839; d. Jan. 1, 1842.
758. Adelaide R., b. Dec. 7, 1841; not married.
759. Alphonso, b. March 4, 1844; died March 1, 1848.
760. Helen Patience, b. Jan. 7, 1847; d. June 6, 1874.
761. Phebe Almira, b. Aug. 12, 1850.

John A. Mowry was a fine specimen of the intelligent New England yeoman. He spent a long life upon his

native farm, industrious, intelligent, a kind father, a true husband, a good neighbor, a valuable citizen.

406. MARY JANE MOWRY, daughter of Jesse, born May 11, 1832; married PALMER VALLETT. No children. He lives near Limerock.

408. STEPHEN D. MOWRY, son of Major Nathaniel, born March 9, 1807; not married. Died of paralysis Aug. 13, 1878, aged 71 years, 5 months, 4 days.

Stephen D. Mowry was an honest, honorable man; industrious, careful, accurate. He was fitted to follow rather than to lead. He shrunk from responsibility, but was always active, methodical, and reliable. He spent his full life at Limerock, where he was born. His funeral was attended, Aug. 16, by a large concourse of friends and relatives.

410. DEXTER MOWRY, son of Major Nathaniel, born June 30, 1809; drowned June 24, 1837, aged 28 years. He spent his life at home, acting as bookkeeper and accountant for his father. He was drowned in Blackstone canal.

411. WILLIAM G. R. MOWRY, son of Major Nathaniel, born Dec. 20, 1810; married Nov. 30, 1846, LYDIA OLNEY, daughter of Obadiah Olney, and granddaughter of Elisha Olney, of Smithfield. She was born March 20, 1809.

CHILD.

762. Anna Frances, b. Nov. 30, 1848; d. Sept. 15, 1849.

William Gulley Randall Mowry, fourth son of Nathaniel Mowry, 2d (or, as he was more generally known, Major Nathaniel Mowry), and Lydia Mowry, was born at Limerock, Smithfield, R. I., Dec. 20, 1810. He was married to Lydia, daughter of Obadiah Olney, of Smithfield, Nov. 30, 1846, by whom he had one daughter, who died in infancy. His advantages of education were limited, and were such only as an industrious boy could gain from a schooling of three months in the year in an ordinary country school, until his majority, and from two or three terms' attendance at a Quaker boarding-school at Bolton, Mass. At the age of seventeen years, he was apprenticed to Lowell Fales, the then well-known builder, of Pawtucket, R. I., with whom he served his full term of four years, and was subsequently associated as partner. After the dissolution of the copartnership, he carried on the carpentering business for a number of years, — contracting for and erecting, among other buildings, a number of churches and mills.

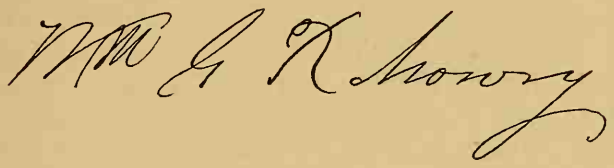
In the spring of 1847 he removed to Providence, and embarked in the lumber business at the lower end of South Main Street, where, on the same premises on which he began, or on the next adjacent premises, he has continued alone, or as a member of the firm of Mowry & Steere, or of the firm of William G. R. Mowry & Co., with an interruption of a single year, in the same business to the present day, — carrying himself and his firms with unsullied credit through the several financial crises covered by that period. But his active business habits would not allow him to be content even with the management of the large business which had so grown up under his care; and during the last fifteen or twenty years he has taken conspic-

uous position in other lines of business, having been president, treasurer, or director of several large manufacturing corporations in Rhode Island and in other States. Very few men in the community in which he has lived have been called upon to administer more private trusts, large and small, as trustee, executor, administrator, referee, and commissioner, than he, — a fact which affords the highest testimonial to his natural business shrewdness and capacity, integrity, and kindly sympathy. He was one of the original Board of Commissioners for building the new City Hall in Providence, associated thereon with the late Gov. James Y. Smith and with Hon. George H. Corliss; and after the decease of Governor Smith, and the reorganization of the Board, became its president. He is, and always has been, a stanch Democrat in politics, and has given his influence and aid to many a warm campaign; but, with the exception of a single minor office in his native town in early life, he has never held or even sought office; and has accepted nominations for office at times only because others were unwilling to lead a forlorn hope. He is a most uncompromising temperance man and prohibitionist, and for a number of years was chairman of the Prohibition State Committee.

He is a Unitarian in his religious belief, and during his entire residence in Providence has been a regular attendant at the First Congregational Church, of the society of which he was for two years president. Positive and independent in his opinions, religious and other, it has not been in his nature to shrink from advocating or identifying himself with any measure of reform or religious belief which his judgment approved because it happened to be unpopular or

even ridiculed. No human being in want or distress ever sought relief of him in vain; and multitudes of young people who have, under his notice, struggled earnestly and honestly to rise in the world, will never forget his encouraging sympathy and helping hand.

Below is a fac-simile of his handwriting.



412. ALICE MOWRY, daughter of Major Nathaniel, born June 26, 1813; married SAMUEL E. GARDNER. She died July 23, 1848, aged 35.

CHILD.

Elizabeth.

He was cashier of the Limerock Bank.

413. NATHANIEL S. MOWRY, son of Major Nathaniel, born March 14, 1815; not married.

Nathaniel S. Mowry is characterized by his entire honesty of purpose and life, good judgment, and success in business. He was never in debt, always punctual and true to his engagements, and a strict temperance man in theory and practice.

414. MARTHA JENCKS MOWRY, daughter of Major Nathaniel, born Feb. 11, 1817; married Nov. 12, 1834, WILLIAM A. BRADLEY. She died Jan. 13, 1861, aged nearly 54.

CHILDREN.

Nathaniel; dead.

Alice.

William A. Bradley kept tavern for many years at Limerock, R. I., and was widely and favorably known.

416. JOHN DEXTER MOWRY, son of Major Nathaniel, born Sept. 28, 1820; married Sept. 25, 1845, ABBY B. PRENTICE, of Northbridge, Mass. He died at Northbridge, April 4, 1851, aged 30.

CHILDREN.

763. Azubah Prentice, b. June 24, 1846.
764. Ella Dexter, b. Jan. 17, 1848.
765. Irving, b. March 11, 1850.

All born in Northbridge, Mass.

417. ESTHER MOWRY, daughter of "Esquire Jerry," born June 23, 1810; married March 18, 1830, EPHRAIM SAYLES.

CHILDREN.

Mowry, b. Jan. 12, 1831.
Daniel, b. Sept. 4, 1832.
Moses Manton, b. June 16, 1835.
Thomas, b. Sept. 14, 1841.
Lewis Leprelet, b. April 11, 1846.

Ephraim Sayles was himself descended, through his mother, from John Mowry, and his wife from Nathaniel and John both. Through the long paternal line she was descended from Nathaniel; and through Margery, the wife of Joseph (No. 22), from John.

He is a well-to-do farmer in Smithfield, widely and honorably known. He has in his possession a large quantity of old Mowry papers, reaching back, many of them, a hundred and fifty, and some of them nearly two hundred years,

which have been of great value in the preparation of this volume.

Moses Manton Sayles was a member of Co. K, Eighty-sixth Illinois Infantry. He died at Chattanooga, Tenn., Dec. 7, 1863.

419. HULDAH MOWRY, daughter of "Esquire Jerry," born Jan. 13, 1814; married in 1830, OLNEY ARNOLD.

CHILDREN.

John Owen, b. 1831; died 1832.
Ann Eliza, b. 1832.
Gilbert Henry, b. 1836.
Frances Adelaide, b. 1840; died 1848.

421. ELIZA ANN MOWRY, daughter of "Esquire Jerry," born Jan. 13, 1817; married January, 1843, ABIEL PARKER.

CHILD.

Mary Eliza, b. Nov. 5, 1844.

422. SMITH MOWRY, son of "Esquire Jerry," born June 6, 1819; married Aug. 27, 1843, JULIA BALLOU, daughter of Amasa, of Burrillville.

CHILDREN.

766. Herbert Smith, b. June 8, 1845; not married.
767. Julia Estella, b. Oct. 1, 1848.

An excellent man, greatly respected, living on the old homestead in Burrillville, R. I.

423. RACHEL MOWRY, daughter of "Esquire Jerry," born Nov. 23, 1821; married Nov. 9, 1851, AUGUSTUS REYNOLDS.

CHILDREN.

William A., b. March 21, 1853.
Betsey Morton, b. May 2, 1857.

425. RUTH MOWRY, daughter of "Esquire Jerry," born July 13, 1828; married May 1, 1855, ABEL PARKER, whose first wife was her sister Eliza Ann (No. 421).

CHILDREN.

Eveline Ruth, b. Nov. 28, 1859; died July 13, 1860.
Alice A., b. July 23, 1861.
Esther S., b. March 26, 1864.
Mabel M., b. April 6, 1866.

426. SUSAN M. J. MOWRY, daughter of "Esquire Jerry," born July 18, 1834; married May 29, 1855, JABEZ W. MOWRY, son of Reuben.

For children, see Jabez W. (No. 701).

427. DANIEL MOWRY, son of "Major Morton"; married Sept. 6, 1857, CLARISSA PAINE, *née* Collins. No children.

428. JOSEPH MOWRY, son of "Major Morton," b. June 20, 1826; married Nov. 1, 1860, MARY ELIZABETH MOWRY, daughter of Olney, who was the son of Darius. (They are descended from John, the brother of Nathaniel.) She was born March 2, 1840.

CHILDREN.

770. Infant, b. Jan. 1, 1862; died same day.
771. Daniel Morton, b. June 28, 1863.
772. Clarence Olney, b. Sept. 27, 1864.
773. Walter Alston, b. Dec. 5, 1865.

774. Alzada Ballou, b. March 20, 1867.
775. Arthur Joseph, b. Oct. 5, 1871; died Nov. 19, 1871.

429. HANNAH S. MOWRY, daughter of Joseph, b. Dec. 10, 1823; married [1] DONISON A. INMAN, son of Edward.

CHILDREN.

Monroe.	Ellen.
Ida.	Udah I.
Louis L.	Lester Eugene.

Married [2] DARLING WHITE. No children.

430. JEREMIAH MOWRY, son of Joseph, b. Aug. 9, 1825; married ANN ELIZA ROSS.

CHILDREN.

776. Warren.
777. Maria.

431. NATHAN S. MOWRY, son of Joseph, b. Feb. 23, 1827; married LOUISA QUACKENBOS.

CHILDREN.

778. Albert.	780. Charles Edwin.
779. Anne.	781. Jennie.

432. JAMES MOWRY, son of Joseph, b. July 10, 1829; married [1] MARY QUACKENBOS.

CHILD.

782. Alice.

Married [2] LAURA LOBDELL. No children. They live in Georgetown, Mich.

433. MARY E. MOWRY, daughter of Joseph, b. Feb. 3, 1831; married FREEMAN M. CARR.

CHILDREN.

Alonzo.	Eliza Ann.
Martha.	Mary Elizabeth.

They live in St. John's, Mich.

434. MINERVA MOWRY, daughter of Joseph, b. May 10, 1832; married WILLARD DARLING.

CHILDREN.

Laura.	Arabella,	twins.
Olney.	Isabella,	
Charles.	Alice.	

They live at Harrisville, Burrillville, R. I.

435. LA FAYETTE MOWRY, son of Joseph, b. Oct. 23, 1833; married HANNAH JENCKS.

CHILDREN.

783. Herbert.
784. Francis.
785. Ervin.

They live at Glendale, Burrillville, R. I.

439. MARTHA P. MOWRY, daughter of Joseph, born 1840; married JAMES ANDERSON.

They lived in Michigan, and had two children. She is not now living.

441. SAMUEL E. MOWRY, son of Joseph, born Nov. 27, 1843; married REBECCA E. TAFT.

CHILDREN.

786.	Eliza Ann.	788.	Henry.
787.	Etta.	789.	One other.

443. ELISHA MOWRY, son of Eliakim; married ELIZA MOWRY, daughter of Arnold (descended from John).

CHILD.

790. Elisha Arnold.

445. LAVINA MOWRY, daughter of Eliakim; married RICHARD MOWRY, son of Arnold.

CHILDREN.

791. Marquis de La Fayette.
792. Manton.
793. Arinda.

After the death of Eliza, Richard married [2] WAITY HARRIS, and had one child, which is dead.

447. LUCRETIA MOWRY, daughter of Eliakim; married SMITH MOWRY, son of William (family of John).

449. AMEY MOWRY, daughter of Joseph, born June 15, 1794; married NICHOLAS P. WHITE.

451. MARY MOWRY, daughter of Joseph, born Sept. 27, 1798; married WILLIAM ANGELL. She died May 2, 1842.

CHILDREN.

Amey Ann; married John Maxfield.
Abby M., b. Oct. 11, 1827; married Hiram Maxfield. She had seven children, and died Jan. 5, 1859.
Malona M.; married William Cole, of Warren.
Mary.

453. MARGERY MOWRY, daughter of Joseph, born June 24, 1803; married DARLING HUNT. She died Feb. 23, 1875.

CHILD.

Orin.

459. JENCKS MOWRY, son of Joseph, born March 31, 1815; married Sept. 26, 1844, ABBY GREENE, eldest daughter of Capt. Richard Wickes Greene, of Warwick.

CHILDREN.

795. Joseph Edward, b. Nov. 2, 1845.
796. Caroline Frances, b. Aug. 26, 1847; died July 1, 1849.
797. Hannah Delia, b. May 9, 1849.
798. Fannie Welles, b. Dec. 16, 1851.
799. Jane Anthony, b. March 16, 1855.
800. Raymond Greene, b. May 31, 1857.
801. Abby Jencks, b. July 21, 1865.

Jencks Mowry is a man of marked character, and deserving of special mention. With limited advantages in early life, he succeeded in obtaining a good English education, and has passed his life as a successful school-teacher. After many years' service in the public schools of his native State, he commenced, about twenty years ago, a private school near Olneyville, now Providence, R. I. This school grew in numbers and popularity, till a few years ago he built a new school-building, and the school was enlarged into "The Mount Pleasant Academy." He has during these later years associated with him, in the management of the academy, his son, Joseph E. Mowry, a graduate of Brown University, a fine scholar, and a good teacher.

460. JOHN MOWRY, son of Joseph, born Sept. 10, 1817; married SUSAN E. FARNUM, daughter of Daniel.

CHILD.

802. John Herbert; married about 1872, and lives in Providence.

He is a farmer, and lived in Rhode Island, except seven years in Bureau Co., Ill., from 1851 to 1858, and in Massachusetts since 1872.

461. JOHN MOWRY, son of John (called "Little John"); married ALICE (?) MOWRY, daughter of Benjamin Mowry, of Burrillville (John family).

They had two daughters.

462. ELSIE MOWRY, daughter of John; married JOSEPH BROWN, of Burrillville.

463. NANCY MOWRY, daughter of John; married ARAD LAPHAM.

CHILDREN.

Mowry.
George.
Lydia.
One other, a son.

464. LAVINA H. MOWRY, daughter of John; married Sept. 14, 1826, JUNIA S. LATHAM, son of Benoni.

CHILDREN.

Laura.
Benoni.
Sarah.
Lavinia.
And four more.
Lucinda.
Helen.
Daniel W.
Edward.

465. LYDIA MOWRY, daughter of John; married OTIS BROWN, of Burrillville.

467. CYRENE MOWRY, daughter of John; married THOMAS PAINE, of Smithfield.

468. ESEK MOWRY, son of Jeremiah. He married, and lived in Willington, Conn., and afterwards in Thompson (?), and died there.

469. POLLY MOWRY, daughter of Jeremiah; married [1] GODFREY STONE.

Married [2] —— LILLIBRIDGE, of Willington, Conn.

470. JESSE T. MOWRY, son of Israel; married. (Name of wife not known.)

CHILD.

804. Erwin; lives in N. H.

471. WAITY MOWRY, daughter of Israel; married WILLIAM ARNOLD, son of Stephen G.

CHILDREN.

Mary; m. Orin Cook, of Cumberland.
Laura; m. Wm. Hutchinson.
William; m. Hannah Cook, sister of Orin.

William Arnold lived on the Smithfield town farm, but now lives at Limerock.

473. ELIZABETH MOWRY, daughter of Israel; married [1] ELIJAH SMITH, son of Ephraim.

CHILDREN.

Infant son; died.
Eliza; m. Luke Ballou.
Mary; m. George Currier.
Ephraim; m. Julia Buffum.
Emma; died, about 10 years old.
Brown; not married.

Married [2] FAYETTE NEWTON. No children.

474. JULIA A. MOWRY, daughter of Israel; married WILLIAM GOLDTHWAIT.

CHILDREN.

Julia E.; married George W. Kimball.
William M.; married Elonia M. Luther.
Rebecca B.; married George H. Luther.
John A.; not married.
Maria J.; not married.
Alwilda A.
Varina D.
Adelbert S.

475. LAURA A. MOWRY, daughter of Israel; married [1] MASON LEE.

CHILD.

Mason Mowry.

Married [2] OTIS MOWRY, son of David.

CHILD.

805. Charles S., b. May 14, 1857.

478. STEPHEN MOWRY, son of Amasa; married SARAH SAYLES, sister of Dutee Mowry's wife.

CHILDREN.

806. Sarah; married —— Burdick.
807. Stephen; married Emily Aldrich, daughter of Burrill.
808. Edwin.
809. Franklin; died young.
810. Lydia; died young.

480. PHILA MOWRY, daughter of Amasa; married BARNEY MOWRY (No. 297, which see).

482. WILLIAM BAINBRIDGE MOWRY, son of Eliezer, Jr.; born March 9, 1816; married ANN ELIZA JENCKS, daughter of Arnold.

CHILDREN.

811. Arnold Jencks, b. April 19, 1846.
812. Anson Byron, b. July 31, 1849.

484. JOHN ORDE MOWRY, son of Eliezer, Jr., born Feb. 24, 1820; married —— HARRIS, daughter of Benjamin.

CHILDREN.

813. William John, b. July 19, 1849.
814. Almeda Lydia, b. Jan. 16, 1852.
815. Nelson Harris, b. Sept. 7, 1853.
816. Emma Ballou, b. June 23, 1855.
817. Jennie Louisa, b. May 1, 1860.

485. SALLY MOWRY, daughter of Joseph; married MOWRY INMAN, son of Edward.

487. SERRELL MOWRY, son of Joseph, born Jan. 20, 1826; married LYDIA WILCOX. No children.

He is a merchant in Providence, R. I., where for many years past he has kept a popular clothing store.

488. NANCY MOWRY, daughter of Joseph; married PARDON LAHHAM.

489. ESTHER MOWRY, daughter of Joseph; married ANDREW J. MATHEWSON.

490. LAVINA MOWRY, daughter of Ezekiel, born Jan. 4, 1823; married April 3, 1842, WILLIAM OLNEY.

CHILDREN.

William, b. Sept. 13, 1842.
Amey Ann, b. March 21, 1844; died March 29, 1844.
Oscar J., b. April 11, 1845.

493. ALBERT MOWRY, son of Ezekiel, born Oct. 5, 1830; married Sept. 14, 1856, RUTH E. THAYER, daughter of Archa Thayer.

CHILDREN.

818. A. Frank, b. March 10, 1859.
819. Winsor B., b. Feb. 2, 1861; died Oct. 20, 1861.
820. Ella May, b. Oct. 11, 1864; died Jan. 3, 1865.
821. } Twin sisters, b. March 10, 1871; died same day.
822. }

494. LUCINDA MOWRY, daughter of Ezekiel, born Jan. 21, 1834; married April 27, 1856, SUMNER SHERMAN, son of Syra L. Sherman, of Burrillville.

CHILDREN.

Lillian, b. Oct. 22, 1858; died March 27, 1874.
Everett B., b. Jan. 17, 1862.

496. SMITH B. MOWRY, son of Ezekiel, born March 13, 1839; married Dec. 14, 1865, MARIA L. SHERMAN, daughter of Syra L.

CHILDREN.

823. Stella Louise, b. Sept. 14, 1868.
824. Clarence Eugene, b. Jan. 10, 1871.

497. JULIANNA MOWRY, daughter of Ezekiel, born March 3, 1845; married June 15, 1872, EDWIN JEPHERSON.

CHILDREN.

Emma Luella, b. April 15, 1873.
Cora Viola, b. Sept. 23, 1875.

499. ELIZABETH MOWRY, daughter of Levi; married a judge in Albany, N. Y.

501. RANDALL MOWRY, son of Joab; married —— Randall.

CHILDREN.

825. William.
826. Henry.
827. Daniel, b. Oct. 27, 1825.
828. Amey.
829. Randall.
830. Eliza.
831. Thomas, b. July 28, 1835.
832. Emily.
833. George.
834. Albert.
835. Nelson; not married.
836. Edward.
837. Abby.

Lives in Smithfield, R. I.

502. AMEY MOWRY, daughter of Joab; married SMITH ANGELL. They live in Providence.

503. WHIPPLE MOWRY, son of Joab; married BARBARA IRONS.

CHILD.

838. Arnold.

Lives in Smithfield, R. I.

505. SMITH MOWRY, son of Joab; married LOUISA WEST.

CHILDREN.

839. George.
840. Emma.
And one other son and one daughter.

506. SARAH MOWRY, daughter of Joab; married JOSEPH TURNER.

507. ZIBA MOWRY, son of Ziba; married —— SMITH.

CHILDREN.

843. Crawford.
844. Rasselas.
845. Albert.
846. Gilbert..

508. WAITEE MOWRY, daughter of Ziba; married GIDEON ALDRICH.

510. CHRISTOPHER MOWRY, son of Ziba; married ANN BROWN.

Have no knowledge of their children.

513. ARNOLD MOWRY, son of Job, Jr.; married LOMIRA HILL. No children.

514. GEORGE MOWRY, son of Job, Jr. Went to Ohio, married and had children, but names not known.

516. ERIE MOWRY, son of Job, Jr.; married ADAH MOWRY, daughter of Stephen, who was the son of Zebedee (family of John).

CHILD.

847. Adah; went to Colorado.

518. LYDIA MOWRY, daughter of Job, Jr., born April 21, 1813; maried JAMES VIALL.

They live in Olneyville, and have several children.

CHAPTER VII.

THE SEVENTH GENERATION.

526. ELIZABETH E. MOWRY, daughter of Charles, born Sept. 16, 1834; married FREDERICK G. WILKS.

529. SARAH ELIZABETH MOWRY, daughter of John, born March 7, 1840, at Leyden, Mass.; married May 20, —, R. B. RICHMOND.

Mr. Richmond is a farmer in Aurora, Ill.

530. HENRY CLAY MOWRY, son of John, born Aug. 15, 1842, in Leyden, Mass.; married Nov. 12, 1873, JANE HANDY.

Henry C. Mowry is a merchant in Chicago, Ill.

531. GEORGE MOWRY, son of John, born Dec. 13, 1843, at Leyden, Mass.; married Nov. —, 1871, ANNA MORIL.

George Mowry is a merchant, and lives in Chicago, Ill.

532. CHRISTOPHER MOWRY, son of John, born Aug. 27, 1846, at Leyden, Mass.; not married.

Mr. Mowry was a volunteer in the war of the Rebellion, and fought in the battles of Pittsburg Landing and Corinth, under General Grant. He is now a medical student at Detroit, Mich.

533. ELIZABETH MOWRY, daughter of Manley; married WARREN KINGSLEY.

534. MARY CORDELIA MOWRY, daughter of Manley; married DWIGHT CARPENTER.

Mr. Carpenter is a farmer, living in Leyden, Mass.

535. SUSAN MOWRY, daughter of Manley; married EZRA FOSTER.

Mr. Foster is a farmer, at Leyden, Mass.

538. EMELINE MOWRY, daughter of Nathan A.; married GEORGE WASHINGTON STETSON.

Mr. Stetson is a mechanic, and resides in Leyden, Mass.

539. HART EASON MOWRY, son of Nathan A.; married ELLA POTTER.

Hart E. Mowry is a farmer, living in Leyden, Mass.

542. DAVID CARPENTER MOWRY, son of David, born in 1842; not married.

David C. Mowry was a soldier in the war of the Rebellion. He died of fever in 1864, in the hospital at Washington, N. C., after fighting bravely in the battles of Roanoke Island and Newbern. He was a young man of great muscular power and acknowledged courage. His remains were brought home to Leyden, Mass., and buried. Over his grave stands a handsome granite monument.

546. HELEN M. MOWRY, daughter of Albert L., born May 26, 1843, at Shelburne Falls; married Dec. 6, 1866, CHARLES BOSWICK PEET. She died Feb. 21, 1877, at New York City.

548. WILLIAM LEROY MOWRY, son of LeRoy, born Jan, 1, 1834; married Feb. 22, 1855, Mary E. Cottrell. She died May 2, 1861.

CHILDREN.

860. Frederick LeRoy, b. April 14, 1857; died Sept. 11, 1858.

861. Kate Noyes, b. Nov. 26, 1859; died Jan. 13, 1860.

549. CHARLES TOWNSEND MOWRY, son of LeRoy, born July 4, 1837; married June 14, 1865, Harriet M. Blanchard.

551. JANE ELIZABETH MOWRY, daughter of William H., born Dec. 5, 1833; married April 18, 1854, Deodatus Haskell.

554. WILLIAM GIFFORD MOWRY, son of William H., born March 12, 1842; married April —, 1860, Carrie White.

555. SARAH GRISWOLD MOWRY, daughter of William H., born June 13, 1849; married Jan. 17, 1871, James O. Lavake.

560. CHARLES N. MOWRY, son of Nelson, born May 20, 1844. He is married, and lives in Wilbraham, Mass. He is a merchant, and has associated with him his two younger brothers.

564. SABEN MOWRY, son of Russell; married Elizabeth Brown.

CHILDREN.

862. Ellen Asenath.
863. Harriet.
864. Archibald.

566. LORENZO MOWRY, son of Russell, married Emily Burlingame. No children.

567. HARLEY MOWRY, son of Russell; married Dec. —, 1852, Lydia W. Brown.

CHILD.

865. Harley Warren.

569. SARAH MOWRY, daughter of Sayles; married James Williams. Nothing more is known of this family.

571. NARCISSA B. MOWRY, daughter of Sayles; married Simeon Brown.

572. CATHERINE MOWRY, daughter of Sayles; married Alanzo Evans.

574. SCOTT MOWRY, son of Charles; born in 1817; married Sally ——. No children. He died June 16, 1877, aged 60 years.

575. WINDSOR MOWRY, son of Charles; married Eliza Latham.

CHILDREN.

866. Charles.
867. Thomas.
868. Mary Eliza; not married.

576. SHADRACH MOWRY, son of Charles; married Alzada Armstrong.

CHILDREN.

869. Abby Jane.
870. Frederick; not married.

He is a stone-mason, and lives at Oakland, R. I.

577. CHARLES MOWRY, Jr., son of Charles; married Emily Buxton.

CHILDREN.

871. Walter; not married.
872. Louis N.
873. Emily.
874. Julia.
875. Ella; not married.
876. Sarah.

592. SIMON B. MOWRY, son of Fenner, born June 22, 1831; married Elizabeth Monroe. No children. He lives in Quincy, Mich.

593. RENSSELAER L. MOWRY, son of Fenner, born June 21, 1833; married Laura A. Vose, daughter of Albert.

CHILDREN.

877. Albert A., b. 1854.
878. Edgar, b. October, 1857.
879. Orville, b. March, 1859.
880. Phebe, b. June, 1871.

Mr. Mowry is a farmer, at Manville, R. I., and for two years past has represented the town of Lincoln in the General Assembly.

606. ANDREW A. MOWRY, son of Smith Ray, born Oct. —, 1838; married —— ——. No children. His wife died March 21, 1877.

Andrew A. Mowry is a clerk for Pooley & Co., dealers in preserves, Boston, Mass.

627. ALBERT WATERMAN MOWRY, son of Waterman, born at Winfield, N. Y., Dec. 31, 1821; married Sept. 28, 1845, ELEANOR (?) BLISS.

CHILDREN.

881. Albert Waterman, b. Aug. 5, 1846.
882. Martha Jane, b. Dec. 11, 1850.

641. ORIN PRATT MOWRY, son of Barney, born May 24, 1829; married HANNAH T. SMITH, daughter of Ezekiel Smith. She was born Nov. 15, 1832.

CHILD.

883. Bertha V., b. March 17, 1864.

642. ALBERT MOWRY, son of Barney, born March 9, 1831; married MARY ARNOLD, daughter of James.

They live at Union Village, Smithfield, R. I.

643. ARLON MOWRY, son of Barney, born Feb. 23, 1833; married HARRIET WHITMAN, daughter of Isaac. She was born Jan. 1, 1837, and died Jan. 2, 1865.

CHILDREN.

884. Emma Lillian, b. April 27, 1858.
885. Eugene Clayton, b. Aug. 12, 1860.
886. Wilfred Lester, b. Nov. 15, 1862; died Nov. 18, 1862.
887. Harriet Whitman, b. Sept. 16, 1864.

Arlon Mowry is one of the leading men of North Smithfield, R. I. He is now senator from that town in the General Assembly.

644. STAFFORD MOWRY, son of Barney, born April 14, 1835; married MARIA H. BROWN, daughter of Daniel, of Woonsocket, R. I. She was born Dec. 14, 1830.

CHILDREN.

888. Ermina P., b. May 12, 1858.
889. Linette B., b. Feb. 6, 1860.
890. Mirtella B., b. Aug. 23, 1861.

Stafford Mowry lives at Woonsocket, R. I.

645. ATWELL MOWRY, son of Barney, born Nov. 18, 1836; married Oct. 26, 1856, HANNAH W. EDDY, daughter of Randall P. She was born Oct. 8, 1838.

CHILDREN.

891. Viola I., b. April 26, 1857.
892. Adella, b. Oct. 26, 1858; died March 12, 1876.
893. Leolin N., b. July 14, 1863.

646. ERWIN A. MOWRY, son of Barney, born Dec. 8, 1847; married ANNIE CLARK, daughter of Thomas. She was born Dec. 11, 1850. No children. He is a merchant in Mount Carroll, Ill.

647. MARTHA MOWRY, daughter of George A., born March 5, 1829; married Dec. 3, 1851, FENNER ALDRICH.

648. JESSE MOWRY, son of George A., born Feb. 3, 1831; married Jan. 10, 1856, ELIZA STICKLE.

649. THOMAS MOWRY, son of George A., born Jan. 19, 1833; married Jan. 25, 1855, SARAH SAPP.

650. GEORGE MOWRY, son of George A., born April 7, 1835; married Aug. 22, 1858, ANER SAPP.

651. ROBERT MOWRY, son of George A., born May 23, 1837; married Sept. 6, 1862, MARY M. MILLIGAN.

652. MARGARET MOWRY, daughter of George A., born Oct. 20, 1839; married Dec. —, 1859, SULLIVAN ALDRICH, son of Simon, of Illinois.

653. WELCOME MOWRY, son of George A., born April 3, 1842; married Sept. 5, 1866, LUCINA SAPP.

655. NANCY MOWRY, daughter of George A., born Dec. 21, 1846; married March 19, 1865, WEBSTER W. MOSES.

657. AMANDA MOWRY, daughter of Caleb, Jr., born in Uxbridge, Mass., Dec. 7, 1825; married [1] May 1, 1844, WILLIAM MARBLE, of Millbury, Mass.

CHILDREN.

Ellen Amanda.
Junius.

Married [2] HENRY ANSON, son of Manning Anson, of Uxbridge, Mass.

CHILD.

Nettie.

658. CHARLOTTE MOWRY, daughter of Caleb, Jr., born in Griswold, Conn., June 8, 1827; married [1] June —, 1845, JOSEPH MARTIN, of Maine.

CHILD.

Helen Amanda.

Married [2] BARTLETT F. BROWNING, of Athens, Me.

CHILDREN.

Charles D., b. Feb. —, 1855, at Walpole, Mass.; died May —, 1860.

Alice Florence, b. Feb. —, 1857, at Walpole, Mass.

Charlotte Mowry died at Foxboro', Mass., Jan. 5, 1859, aged 31 years, 6 months, 28 days.

659. CHARLES LEONARD MOWRY, son of Caleb, Jr., born at Griswold, Conn., March 29, 1829; married [1] Abby Holbrook, of Searsport, Me. She died Oct. —, 1855, at South Walpole.

Married [2] Ellen Levens, of Webster, Mass.

661. ALBERT SLATER MOWRY, son of Caleb, Jr., born at Fitchburg, Mass., June 18, 1837; married Aug. 29, 1859, Katie Mason, of Walpole, Mass., daughter of William. She was born March 27, 1836.

CHILD.

894. Charles H., b. June 10, 1860, at South Walpole.

Albert S. Mowry is the proprietor of a large and excellent hotel, called the "Springfield House," in Nantucket, Mass. He has a very honorable record in the war of the Rebellion. He enlisted in the United States Navy at the beginning of the war, and served three years, with great bravery; and at the expiration of his term of service received a flattering letter of appreciation and commendation from the officer under whom he served, Lieut.-Commander E. K. Owens. He was sent out to the Mississippi River, and was upon the gun-boats under Admirals Foote, Davis, and Porter. He was in the engagements of Fort Henry, Fort Donelson, Island Number Ten, Fort Pillow,

Memphis, Vicksburg, Haines's Bluff, Fort Hindman, the Deer Creek Expedition, Grand Gulf, and the Red River Expedition. Of 500 men who went out with him, only 60 returned at the expiration of the three years. He was one of those who went into the service from patriotic motives, endeavored to do his duty honorably and faithfully, and feels now, like a multitude of others from both armies, that one war is enough. He never wants to see another.

662. ALMON THWING MOWRY, son of Caleb, Jr., born at Millbury, Mass., June 19, 1842; married April 5, 1863, MARY G. MURPHEY, daughter of Charles.

CHILDREN.

895. Harry Clifton, b. Feb. 11, 1865.
896. Chester Frank, b. Aug. 21, 1872.
And two others that died.

Almon T. Mowry is also a popular hotel-keeper in Nantucket.

679. SARAH ANN MOWRY, daughter of Jackson P., born at Louisville, Ky., Sept. 29, 1849; married Jan. 6, 1870, WILLIAM F. DIETRICKS, of St. Louis, Mo.

CHILD.

Willie Clay, b. Sept. 25, 1871, in St. Louis, Mo.

Mr. Dietricks is a tobacconist in St. Louis.

681. WAITY ANGELL MOWRY, daughter of Nathaniel, born Feb. 15, 1796, was never married, but is now living at the good old age of 82, in Glocester, where she has been for the last twenty-five years. In her younger days she taught school for more than twenty years. "Aunt Waity," as she

is generally called, has an excellent mind, a genial, kindly disposition, ever cheerful, and retaining in her old age a vigorous memory, which has been a marked characteristic all her life. She is a friend to everybody; consequently she has not an enemy in the world.

682. DANIEL A. MOWRY, son of Nathaniel, born Aug. 31, 1797; married [1] Oct. 15, 1818, MARY J. HARRIS, daughter of Jonathan, of Smithfield. She was born Dec. 8, 1796, and died Sept. 8, 1830, aged 33 years.

CHILDREN.

899. Darwin R., b. Jan. 13, 1820.
900. Daniel A., b. Nov. 15, 1828.

Married [2] Feb. 24, 1833, ABIGAIL HARRIS, daughter of Jonathan. She was born June 13, 1803. He died July 19, 1877, aged nearly 80 years.

CHILDREN.

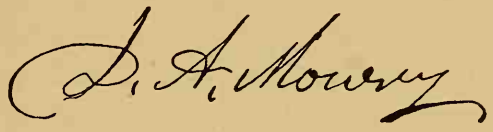
901. Emor H., b. Oct. 20, 1833.
902. Nathaniel S., b. April 18, 1839.

Daniel A. Mowry was brought up on his father's farm. When he was about twenty-one years of age, he received, accidentally, an injury on general muster day, which lamed him for life, and unfitted him for the more severe kinds of manual labor. He was gate-keeper for several years upon the Douglas turnpike. For about five years he kept a retail store at the junction of the Douglas turnpike and the Woonsocket and Scituate road. He moved to Providence April 1, 1832, and bought out the Lyman Arnold store on Canal Street, where he kept grocer-

ies, grain, and flour. After a dozen years or more, he moved his store farther up the street, and continued the grocery business, either alone or with his sons, till within a few years. In all, he carried on the business in Providence for more than forty years.

He was a good business man, active, intelligent, and enterprising. He was generous, benevolent, kind to the poor and the unfortunate; large-hearted, sympathetic; a good husband and father, and a useful citizen. He died at his home on Smith's Hill, Providence, July 19, 1877, aged nearly eighty years.

A fac-simile of his handwriting is given below.



683. DR. SAMUEL MOWRY, son of Nathaniel, born Sept. 27, 1799; married July 31, 1839, ROBE BELLOWS.

CHILD.

903. Asha Annie Elizabeth, b. July 31, 1840.

Dr. Samuel Mowry attended the academy at Dudley, Mass., the academy at Amherst, and medical lectures at Boston in 1825 and '26. He was admitted a member of the Rhode Island Medical Society in 1838; and practiced for *forty years* with marked success in Chepachet and Providence, R. I. He is now living in Providence, and continuing his practice, although nearly eighty years old; and is often called in difficult cases, and sent for from a distance.

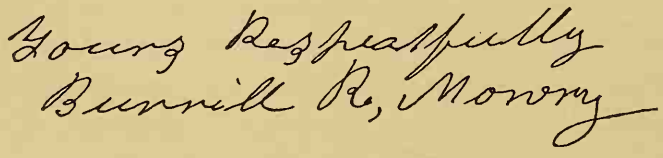
684. BURRILL R. MOWRY, son of Nathaniel, born April 25, 1802; married PHEBE T. CHACE, daughter of Job.

CHILDREN.

904. Lilly Burrill, b. April 7, 1840.
905. Samuel Robinson, b. Aug. 18, 1848.

Burrill R. Mowry is one of nature's noblemen. Endowed with a strong mind, in a strong body, which is well formed and symmetrical, more than six feet high, quick of apprehension, with a tenacious memory; equally skillful in the study of nature and in the reading of men, ingenious as a mechanic, always industrious, unswerving in integrity, he commands the respect of all who know him. Had he enjoyed the more favorable advantages of education and position which so many have squandered, he would have made, as circumstances might have dictated, a famous inventor, a master mechanic with wide reputation, or a successful merchant. He has, however, a strong love for a quiet life, preferring the leafy shade of the forest to the busy hum of the city street, and despising all pretense and sham by which so many have foisted themselves upon public attention. He has led a retired but honest and honorable life, and is now carrying his seventy-six years as easily as most men do sixty. He is a mill-wright, a carpenter, and a farmer. He lives in old Smithfield, upon the farm where his ancestors have lived before him for five generations.

Below is a fac-simile of his autograph.



687. NELSON H. MOWRY, son of Nathaniel, born May 20, 1808; married LYDIA ANN DYER. He died April 8, 1868, aged nearly 60 years.

CHILD.

906. Nelson.

For some unexplainable reason a mistake was made upon page 200 in placing "not married" against the name of Nelson H. He was married, as stated above; and his son Nelson has distinguished himself, as will be seen in the next chapter.

Nelson H. Mowry was a farmer and a mason. For some years he followed the sea. Twice he went to California, remaining a year or more in the mining district. But the most of his life he passed in mercantile business in Providence. He came to Providence with his brother Daniel, in 1832, and died there April 8, 1868, aged nearly 60 years.

695. DEA. SAMUEL MOWRY, son of Havilah, born in Killingly, Conn., June 14, 1796; married [1] Oct. 5, 1817, CYNTHIA CARY.

CHILDREN.

907. Ann R., b. Feb. 26, 1819, at Coventry, R. I.

908. James Dixon, b. Nov. 5, 1820, at Canterbury, Conn.

Married [2] April 7, 1825, REBECCA STORY.

CHILDREN.

909. John Samuel, b. Jan. 1, 1826, at Bozrahville, Conn.

910. David Sanford, b. March 10, 1827, at Bozrahville, Conn.

911. Stephen Jared, b. June 26, 1828, at Bozrahville, Conn.

912. Cynthia Rebecca, b. Nov. 13, 1830, at Bozrahville, Conn.; died Feb. 4, 1834.

Married [3] June 10, 1833, ELIZA H. MILLER.

CHILDREN.

913. William Havilah, b. June 8, 1835, at Greenville, Conn.; died Feb. 13, 1839.

914. Eliza Rebecca, b. Nov. 10, 1837, at Greenville, Conn.

Dea. Samuel Mowry moved to Greenville, in Norwich, Conn., and became identified with the manufacturing interests there from the start in 1831, beginning with the first mill, the "Thames Manufacturing Company," having the management of the business, and also superintending the factories at Norwich Falls and Bozrahville, until the spring of 1852. After a period of ill health he resumed active business in 1857, as a manufacturer of machinery, springs, axles, etc. He was one of the founders of the Congregational Church in Greenville, and since 1834 has been one of its deacons. He has been a member of the Connecticut Legislature, and is now living in Greenville, more than eighty-two years old, and very infirm.

696. ACHSAH MOWRY, daughter of Havilah, born at Killingly, Conn., Sept. 3, 1798; married JOHN SPALDING.

CHILDREN.

Laura.	Antoinette.
Orpah.	Harriet.
Jacob.	Celia.

All born in Killingly, Conn.

Achsah Mowry is now living in South Killingly, Conn.

697. SALLY MOWRY, daughter of Havilah, born in Killingly, Conn., Sept. 12, 1800; married JOSEPH PEARSALL.

CHILDREN.

Amanda.	Ira.
Olive.	Elizabeth.

All born in Munday, Mich.

Mr. Pearsall is a farmer, living in Flint, Mich.

698. DEA. HAVILAH MOWRY, JR., son of Havilah, born in Killingly, Conn., March 22, 1803; married [1] May 20, 1828, RUHAMAH SPRAGUE. She was born Feb. 12, 1800, and died July 18, 1835. No children.

Married [2] Aug. 30, 1836, ESTHER B. CARY. She was born Oct. 4, 1814.

CHILDREN.

915. James Taylor, b. July 27, 1837.

916. William H., b. Feb. 17, 1839; died Aug. 31, 1860.

They were born in Bozrahville, Conn.

Dea. Havilah Mowry is a city missionary in Brooklyn, N. Y.

701. JONATHAN MOWRY, son of Gideon, born Feb. 2, 1801; married Sept. 12, 1821, HANNAH BRAYTON, daughter of Preserved and Hannah Brayton, of Rehoboth, Mass.*

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* The family of Braytons to whom Hannah belonged dates back also to one of the original settlements of Rhode Island. The pedigree is briefly given as follows: —

1. FRANCIS BRAYTON, born 1611; made a freeman in 1643, in Portsmouth, R. I.; died in 1692, aged 81 years. Occupation, a farmer. His wife's name was MARY.

CHILDREN.

2. Francis; died in 1718.	5. Elizabeth; m. a Mr. Bourne.
3. Stephen.	6. Sarah; m. Thomas Gatchell.
4. Martha; m. a Mr. Pearce.	7. Mary; m. J. Duval; d. bef. 1671.

She was born Aug. 27, 1800; died March 21, 1872, aged 71 years, 6 months, and 24 days. He died Nov. 21, 1832, aged 31 years, 9 months.

CHILDREN.

917. Ruth Wheeler, b. June 6, 1822.
918. Emeline Maxwell, b. Feb. 19, 1826.
919. William Augustus, b. Aug. 13, 1829.
Emeline M., d. April 4, 1859, aged 33.

Jonathan Mowry was a farmer and boot and shoe maker, and spent his life on the home farm. He built a large brick house near his father's, where he lived and died. Some years before his death he had a severe attack of

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3. STEPHEN BRAYTON, son of Francis; married March 5, 1678, ANN TALMAN, daughter of Peter Talman, of Portsmouth. He died between July 30, 1691, and April 16, 1692.

CHILDREN.

8. Mary, b. Feb. 12, 1679; married James Talman.
9. Elizabeth, b. Dec. 8, 1681.
10. Ann, b. July 6, 1683.
11. Preserved, b. March 8, 1685; died 1761.
12. Stephen, b. Aug. 2, 1686; died May 25, 1753.

11. PRESERVED BRAYTON, son of Stephen, born March 8, 1685; married CONTENT GARDNER (?). He lived in Swansea, Mass., and was a farmer.

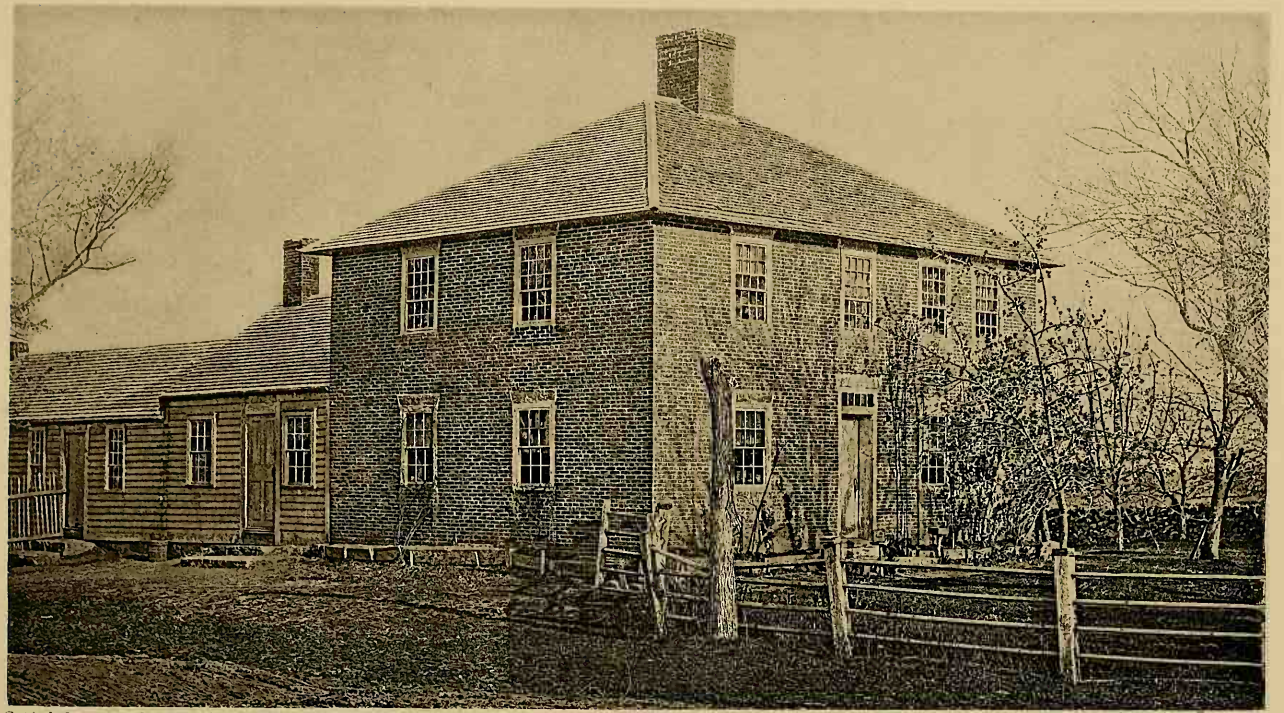
CHILDREN.

13. John, b. Feb. 1, 1712.
14. Stephen, b. Dec. 24, 1713.
15. David, b. Feb. 14, 1715; died Feb. 18, 1732.
16. Baulston, b. May 11, 1717, of Smithfield, R. I.
17. Content, b. April 3, 1724; married Samuel Gardner.
18. Israel, b. Oct. 13, 1727, of Swansea, Mass.

14. STEPHEN BRAYTON, son of Preserved, born Dec. 24, 1713; married Feb. 15, 1732, HANNAH CHASE, daughter of Eber and Mary Chase. He lived in Rehoboth, and was a farmer.

CHILDREN.

19. Stephen.
20. Preserved.
21. Anna; married a Mr. Russell.
22. Mary; married a Mr. Comstock.
23. Hannah; married a Mr. Russell.



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JONATHAN MOWRY HOUSE,

UXBRIDGE, MASS.

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influenza, from which he never recovered. He died at the early age of thirty-two, leaving a widow and three children, the youngest but three years of age. His wife was a woman of strong mind, great energy and perseverance, and lived a widow nearly forty years, burying her second daughter, but seeing her other two children settled in life with families of their own. She lived to see thirteen grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Emeline Maxwell Mowry became a teacher at the early age of fifteen. She, however, continued her studies from time to time, as she found opportunity and the necessary means, until she became an accomplished scholar in the

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20. PRESERVED BRAYTON, married [1] in 1758, PATIENCE GREENE, daughter of David and Mary (Knowles) Greene, of North Kingstown, R. I. She was born Nov. 18, 1773, and died July 30, 1794. She was a Quaker preacher, of much note, and was the first preacher sent to England by the Friends of this country. Her Memoir was published in New Bedford in 1801. They lived in Rehoboth. He was a farmer and miller.

CHILDREN.

24. Hannah ; married William Slade.
25. David.
26. Content ; married Capt. James Maxwell, of Warren, R. I.

Married [2] HANNAH BOWDISH, widow, *née* Slade.

CHILD.

27. Hannah, b. Aug. 27, 1800 ; died March 21, 1872. She married Jonathan Mowry, of Uxbridge, Mass.

25. DAVID RRAYTON, son of Preserved ; married and lived in Rehoboth. He was a farmer and shoemaker.

CHILDREN.

28. Daniel.
29. Mary.
30. David.
31. Henry.
32. Content.
33. Patience ; m. Mr. Hopkins, who lived in Scituate and kept tavern.

The above record has been kindly furnished by Capt. G. M. Brayton, of the United States Army, in a letter dated May 28, 1875, from Camp Verde, Arizona Territory.

higher mathematics, natural sciences, especially botany, and English literature. She followed teaching about fifteen years. She possessed a remarkably fine character, a well-balanced mind, and great energy of purpose. She was a loving daughter, a devoted sister, and a firm friend. She was for many years a faithful and much respected member of the Congregational church, and died beloved by all who knew her. An obituary notice soon after her death closes as follows : —

" The pupils of twelve different schools, in six towns and in three different States, who have been under her instruction at some time during the last eighteen years, would number several hundreds ; and they will doubtless, wherever found, attest her ability and success as a teacher. Her genial disposition, her quiet manners, her exhaustless patience, and her deep and earnest affection for her pupils, never failed to win their confidence and their love, while her dignified character, accurate scholarship, and thorough plan of instruction, insured their rapid progress in study.

" As a friend, Miss Mowry was ever faithful and true. As a true lady and a devoted Christian, she had few equals. During the thirteen years that she was a member of the Congregational Church in Slatersville, she was ever consistent, conscientious, earnest, and devoted. Her light shone to all with whom she came in contact. She loved the Sabbath school as well as the day school, and was ever before her class upon the Sabbath, if not compelled by ill health to forego the privilege.

" As a sister and a daughter, her bereaved sister, brother, and widowed mother attest her ardent devotion and worth. A large circle of friends now mourn her loss. But, we trust, not without hope, for to her ' *To live was Christ, to die was gain.*' May all who knew her, copy her pious example."

702. LUCETTA MOWRY, daughter of Gideon, born Jan. 2, 1803; married Dec. 6, 1826, CROMWELL CHASE, son of Job and Sybil Chase. He was born May 12, 1795, in Swansea, Mass. He died Jan. 17, 1856, aged 60 years.

CHILDREN.

Joanna Wheeler, b. June 9, 1829.
Robinson James Montgomery, b. June 12, 1832.
Jonathan Mowry, b. Feb. 20, 1836.

Cromwell Chase was a farmer and house-carpenter. He was the son of Job and Sybil Chase. Job was the son of Jonathan Chase, before mentioned. They were from a very respectable family, and all members of the Society of Friends.

Cromwell passed his life in the western part of Smithfield and adjoining portion of Burrillville. He died at his home in Smithfield, called "Horse Head."

His widow is still living, at the age of 75. She is a woman of great strength and beauty of character, combining in herself the sterling virtues of the genuine New England character.

703. ISABELLA MOWRY, daughter of Gideon Mowry, born Feb. 12, 1805; married May 3, 1826, JOSEPH GASKILL, son of Ezekiel and Elizabeth Gaskill, of Uxbridge, Mass. He was born July 29, 1800; died Oct. 8, 1857.

CHILDREN.

Anne Dennis, b. March 1, 1827; d. April 14, 1835.
Ruth Elizabeth, b. April 28, 1830; d. Oct. 4, 1857.
Susan Anne, b. Oct. 28, 1836; d. April 26, 1839.
Caroline Josephine, b. June 25, 1840; d. Oct. 4, 1857.
Joseph, Jr., b. Aug. 4, 1845; d. Sept. 10, 1845.
Lindley Murray, b. Sept. 7, 1847.

Joseph Gaskill was a worthy member of the Society of Friends, and passed his entire life in his native town. He was an honest, industrious farmer, who by his industry and frugality saved a snug little sum against a time of need. His widow Isabella is still living in Millville, Mass., being now more than seventy-three years of age. She is a faithful member of the Society of Friends, manifesting in all the relations of life a most estimable character, greatly beloved by a wide circle of friends, and respected by all who know her.

Two of their children, Ruth Elizabeth, aged 27, and Caroline Josephine, aged 17, died the same day, and their father died four days later.

The following obituary notice of Mr. Gaskill and his two children appeared in a Worcester paper a few days subsequent to their death.

"Died, in Uxbridge, Oct. 4, Caroline Josephine Gaskill, aged 17 years; on the same day, of typhoid fever, Ruth Elizabeth White, aged 27 years, — both daughters of Joseph Gaskill; and on the 8th inst., of dysentery, Joseph Gaskill, aged 57 years.

"This is one of those remarkable dispensations of Providence that most clearly illustrates the great truth that 'God seeth not as man seeth.'

"Mr. Gaskill was a devoted member and elder of the Society of Friends, and it may be said with truth that he lived the life of an upright and honest man, and died the death of a true Christian. Through a long line of friends and acquaintances, a deep and lasting sympathy is expressed for Mrs. Gaskill, who may, with much propriety, use the language of Naomi, on her return to Bethlehem, 'God hath dealt very bitterly with me.'"

704. PHEBE MOWRY, daughter of Gideon, born Sept. 19, 1808; married [1] June 2, 1830, DANIEL H. ALDRICH, son of Ephraim and Dorcas Aldrich, of Uxbridge, Mass. He was born July 14, 1806; died Dec. 6, 1870, aged 64 years.

CHILDREN.

Josiah Wilcox, b. Feb. 12, 1831; died March 21, 1834.
Mary Brayton, b. Feb. 20, 1832.
Gideon Mowry, b. Jan. 29, 1834.
Jonathan Richard, b. Oct. 31, 1838; d. Sept. 12, 1841.
Dorcas Hall, b. Sept. 17, 1841.
Oscar De Wilton, b. Dec. 25, 1843.

Married [2] July 24, 1873, ESEK PITTS, of Millbury, Mass. He died Feb. 1, 1874.

Daniel H. Aldrich was a worthy member of the Friends' Society, and lived and died in Uxbridge. He was a wheelwright, carriage-maker, and sawyer. He built up an extensive business on a little stream in South Uxbridge, where he erected a large building with a saw-mill, shingle-mill, and wheelwright and blacksmith's shop. This business he managed for thirty-five years. For several years subsequent to 1850 he shipped a large number of wagons to California. He left the business to his son Gideon, who is now successfully carrying it on.

His widow, Phebe, married Esek Pitts, of Millbury, a very worthy man, and life-long acquaintance and friend of the family, who lived but a little more than six months after their marriage. "Aunt Phebe," as she is generally called, is one of those rare characters, who, like Dorcas of old, is always "full of good works and alms deeds which she did." When anybody has been sick in the neighborhood during the last fifty years, they have always sent for

"Aunt Phebe." An admirable nurse, kind and sympathizing, a friend to everybody, always full of good deeds, intelligent and exemplary, she has passed a useful and honored life. Not merely her children, but hosts of others, will rise up and call her blessed.

The three last-named persons, sisters, are now living, widows, two of them in one house, and the third within two miles of them. They are noble specimens of the old-fashioned sterling New England character.

705. MELISSA MOWRY, daughter of Gideon, born Aug. 28, 1811; married June —, 1840(?), Asa B. Gaskill, son of Ezekiel and Elizabeth Gaskill, of Uxbridge. She died March 10, 1853. He died March 25, 1863.

CHILDREN.

Anne Estella, b. Sept. 2, 1842.
George Henry, b. Aug. 22, 1845.
Lavina Drew, b. Sept. 16, 1846; died July 2, 1847.
Caroline Melissa, b. March 25, 1850; d. June 6, 1850.

Asa B. Gaskill was also a Friend, and lived and died in Uxbridge. When his father-in-law, Gideon Mowry, gave up the active business of farming, he purchased the old homestead, and there passed the rest of his days.

706. CAROLINE MOWRY, daughter of Gideon, born April 12, 1814; married Sept. 7, 1837, David P. White, M. D. She died June 6, 1839. He was born Sept. 4, 1805. He died May 23, 1874, aged nearly 69. They had no children.

Dr. White was the son of Simon White, of Uxbridge. He settled in Douglas, where he passed his life, with an extensive practice in his profession.

He was three times married, and died leaving a widow and a family of children, one of which has taken his place as a physician, and succeeded to his business.

707. RICHARD DENNIS MOWRY, son of Gideon, born Sept. 17, 1819; married [1] Sept. 13, 1838, LUCY MORTON ALBEE, daughter of Joseph and Lydia Morton Albee, of Charlton, Mass. She was born in Charlton, June 28, 1817.

CHILDREN.

920. Helen Francelia, b. May 9, 1840.
921. Sarah Elizabeth, b. Sept. 18, 1849.

Married [2] in Providence, R. I., Dec. 3, 1868, LUCY M. TAFT, former wife of Thompson Taft, Jr., of Blackstone, Mass., and daughter of Square Shove, of Blackstone.

CHILD.

922. Richard Dennis, Jr., b. Sept. 11, 1870, in San Francisco, Cal.

Richard D. Mowry was for many years a prominent business man in Uxbridge, and held many town offices. He was for many years a member of the school committee, and frequently chairman of the committee, taking a leading position in all educational affairs in the town, visiting the schools, and writing the reports of the committee. When quite a young man he bought a portion of his father's farm, with the house built by his brother Jonathan, and commenced life as a farmer, shoemaker, and schoolteacher. After some years he sold his farm and engaged in mercantile pursuits in Uxbridge Centre. Here he kept a large grocery, dry goods, and general variety store from

1845 to 1867. During some portion of this time he had two stores, a tailoring establishment, and furniture warerooms. In the winter of 1868–9, he went to San Francisco, Cal., where he now resides, engaged in trade.

The family are greatly indebted to him for the marked ability, care, and skill with which he has prepared the extended memoir of his grandfather, Richard Mowry, which appears in this volume.

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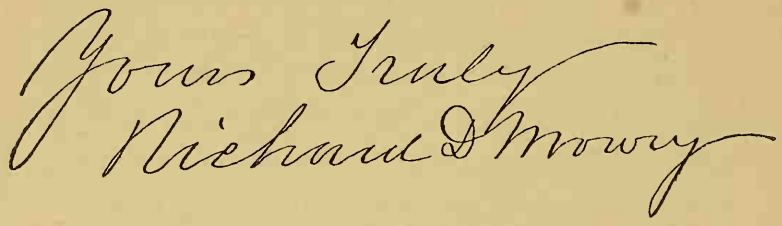

708. SUSAN LYDIA MOWRY, daughter of Gideon, born Jan. 21, 1822; married Nov. 3, 1841, SETH S. PITTS, son of Abner and Polly Pitts, of Uxbridge. He was born June 26, 1818.

CHILDREN.

Seth Franklin, b. July 14, 1847.
Dennis Mowry, b. Sept. 10, 1849.
Leander Edward, b. June 17, 1851; d. Sept. 18, 1851.
Susan Lydia, b. July 17, 1853; d. Aug. 18, 1853.
Edward Harris, b. Nov. 11, 1855.
George Arthur, b. Nov. 21, 1861; d. Nov. 12, 1862.

Seth S. Pitts was variously engaged in mercantile business, principally in Uxbridge, from his marriage till about 1860, when he emigrated to California. He is at present residing in Antioch, Contra Costa Co. All of his children, except the youngest, were born in Uxbridge. He was born and died in California.

709. HULDAH HARRIS MOWRY, daughter of Gideon, born Sept. 15, 1824; married Nov. 4, 1845, LEANDER H. SAWYER, of Smithfield, R. I., son of Austin and Susan (Temple), of Shrewsbury, Mass. He was born in Providence, R. I., Sept. 23, 1826.

CHILD.

Philena S., b. Sept. 23, 1848, in Uxbridge, Mass.

Leander H. Sawyer was a wheelwright, and spent some years in business with Daniel H. Aldrich, in Uxbridge. He early went to California, soon after the discovery of gold there, and has been widely engaged in various kinds of business in that country. He is now living in East Oakland, Cal.

712. JUNIA S. MOWRY, son of Reuben, born July 18, 1805, in Smithfield, R. I.; married [1] Dec. 2, 1835, SALOME LINCOLN, daughter of Ambrose, of Raynham, Mass. She was born Sept. 13, 1807, and died July 21, 1841.

CHILDREN.

923. Mary E., b. Nov. 2, 1837; died Feb. 5, 1839.
924. Amey M., b. March 26, 1841.

Married [2] Dec. 2, 1841, NANCY MANCHESTER, daughter of John, of Tiverton, R. I. She was born May 2, 1812, and died Feb. 24, 1868.

CHILDREN.

925. Salome, b. Sept. 6, 1842; died Oct. 6, 1843.
926. Phebe S., b. June 6, 1844.
927. Reuben, b. Nov. 22, 1845; died Aug. 20, 1846.
928. Martha A., b. Sept. 2, 1847.
929. Deborah C., b. Feb. 11, 1849.
930. Daniel, b. Oct. 22, 1850; died Sept. 17, 1851.

931. Esther A., b. Jan. 30, 1851.
932. John R., b. Oct. 30, 1853.

Deborah, Esther, and John have taught school in Iowa.

Married [3] July 15, 1869, MILDRED MARY ANN HOLMES, widow of Elder Luther Holmes, a Baptist preacher, of Wyoming, Jones Co., Iowa, and daughter of Benjamin Dubois.

Rev. J. S. Mowry, or "Elder Mowry," as he was usually called, was ordained in North Taunton, Mass., Aug. 23, 1832. He was successively pastor of several churches, and preached in various places where he was not settled as pastor, till 1851. Among these places may be mentioned Taunton, Rehoboth, and Hebronville, Mass., Tiverton, Apponaug, and Georgiaville, R. I.; and in 1851 went to Iowa. He was settled at Lyons, Clinton Co., on the Mississippi River; then at Oliver, in the same county. He is at present living at Calamus, Clinton Co., Iowa. He has been a vigorous, active man, and has done much valuable pioneer missionary work in that new, but rapidly growing country. He is now enjoying a green old age, with his children and grandchildren settled about him.

713. LAMECH C. MOWRY, son of Reuben, born March 4, 1807; married [1] SARAH A. STEERE, daughter of Elisha. She was born June 30, 1816, and died Nov. 9, 1848, in the 33d year of her age.

CHILDREN.

933. Adaline E., b. Aug. 14, 1846.
934. Sidney H., b. July 12, 1848.

Married [2] ALICE M. SAYLES. She was born May 12, 1813, and died Aug. 7, 1858, in the 46th year of her age.

CHILD.

935. Sarah C., b. Oct. 21, 1851.

Married [3] RACHEL SMITH, widow of Saben Smith, and daughter of Welcome Harris. She was born Oct. 26, 1815. No children.

Lamech C. Mowry is a very worthy man, and an excellent farmer, in Smithfield, R. I. Unlike many of the race, who have shown a disposition to migrate to distant parts, but like many others, who have been disposed to keep unchanged the "ancient landmarks," he has remained upon the old homestead, where he has passed his threescore years and ten.

720. JABEZ W. MOWRY, son of Reuben, born July 29, 1824; married SUSAN M. J. MOWRY (No. 426), daughter of Jeremiah. She was born July 18, 1834.

CHILDREN.

936. Arabella F., b. Jan. 16, 1857.
937. Roger Williams, b. March 26, 1860.
938. Abraham Lincoln, b. Oct. 2, 1863.

Jabez W. Mowry lives in Smithfield, R. I.

He is an excellent, upright man, intelligent, enterprising, and honorable. He manages one of the best of Rhode Island farms, and manages it well. He represented his native town in the General Assembly from 1859 to 1864, and from 1867 to 1873; and has now been the senator from his town for two years.

724. SIMON BOLIVER MOWRY, son of Gideon, born Sept. 10, 1826; married NANCY CUTTING.

He is not now living.

CHILD.

939. Alvin.

725. IMMER EARL MOWRY, son of Thomas, born Sept. 24, 1812; married Oct. 4, 1843, MARY SPRAGUE ANGELL, daughter of Asahel. She was born Aug. 16, 1826.

CHILD.

940. Immer Angell, b. June 21, 1844.

Immer E. Mowry lives in Brooklyn, N. Y.

726. DR. MARTHA HARRIS MOWRY, daughter of Thomas, born June 7, 1818. She is not married. She has been for many years a regular physician in Providence, R. I., having an extensive and lucrative practice.

728. DANIEL MOWRY, JR., son of Daniel, Jr., born Oct. 2, 1823, in Smithfield, R. I.; married Oct. 27, 1854, HENRIETTA C. PUTNAM.

CHILDREN.

941. Justina C., b. Sept. 7, 1857.
942. L. Daniel, b. Nov. 8, 1863.
943. Ethel Farnum, b. Oct. 16, 1865.
944. Mattie G., b. Oct 27, 1868.

On the next page (see cut No. 5) is given a fac-simile of his autograph, taken from a letter written in 1877.

It is interesting to observe that he is the fifth in direct line, father and son, who have borne the name of Daniel Mowry.

For the purpose of comparing the handwriting of these five successive Daniels, the fac-similes of their autographs will here be grouped.

1.

Called "Captain" Daniel, written about 1740. He died in 1787, aged 90 years.

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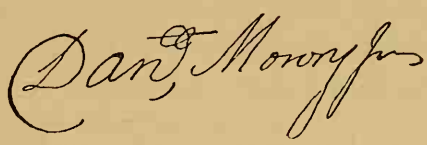

Called "Judge" Daniel, written in 1769. He died in 1806, aged 77 years.

3.

Called "Clark" Daniel, written in 1780. He died in 1839, aged 89.

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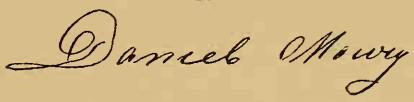

Son of "Clark" Daniel, written about 1850. He died in 1870, aged 82.

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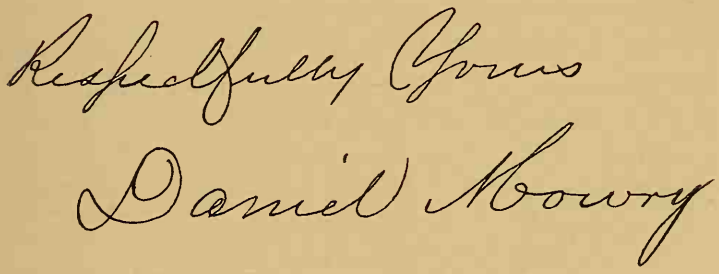


Grandson of "Clark" Daniel, written in 1877. He is now living in Morenci, Mich.

Daniel Mowry is the fifth in regular succession by the same name. He went West, when a young man, and has now lived in Michigan for more than twenty-five years. He is a prominent and very active man in Morenci, Michi-

gan. Besides his trade, that of a cabinet-maker, he has from boyhood been a musician, and has taught music. He has been variously engaged in trade, and has done much public business. He was for many years justice of the peace and public notary, and wrote deeds, wills, agreements, and other legal papers. In the western parlance, "he run a law shop" for several years.

For the last twelve or fifteen years he has done a large business as a merchant, insurance agent, and real estate and stock broker. He has the confidence of the people, and is a popular and prosperous, as well as industrious and enterprising man.

729. RUTH F. MOWRY, daughter of Daniel, Jr., born Sept. 26, 1829; married Oct. 14, 1850, EBENEZER S. WILLIAMS, of Oxford, Mass.

CHILDREN.

Adelbert, b. Nov. 11, 1851; died Aug. 21, 1852.
Emma F., born May 17, 1853.
Ida E., b. April 9, 1871; died Aug. 6, 1872.

732. HARRIET JENCKS MOWRY, daughter of Harris J., born April 20, 1825; married Feb. 18, 1858, Prof. JAMES BUSHEE, M. D. He was born in Smithfield, R. I., Oct. 15, 1805.

CHILDREN.

Carrie H., b. Oct. 21, 1858; died May 31, 1863.
Lucy Anna, b. Jan. 31, 1863.

Prof. Bushee has an honorable record as an enterprising and successful teacher for more than fifty years. He was for many years the accomplished principal of the old

Smithfield Academy, at Union Village, and for about twenty-five years has taught the natural sciences in some of the best educational institutions of Worcester, Mass. He was professor of chemistry in the medical college, and subsequently the professor of chemistry and astronomy in the Highland Military Academy. He has displayed remarkable inventive powers in the preparation of apparatus to illustrate the natural sciences, particularly astronomy.

734. ALBERT ERASTUS MOWRY, son of Harris J., born June 7, 1829; married May 16, 1862, LAURETTE C. CHANEY, of Cambridge, Mass.; she was born March —, 1831.

CHILDREN.

945. Smith Albert, b. Jan. 18, 1864.
946. Laura Amanda, b. June 1, 1869; died Aug. 5, 1870.
947. Harry Phillips, b. Aug. 4, 1871; died Feb. 26, 1872.

Albert Erastus Mowry, eldest son of Harris J. and Laura B. Mowry, was born in Smithfield, R. I., June 7, 1829. He learned the foundry business with his father in youth, and continued therein a number of years. He responded to the first call for troops at the breaking out of the recent Rebellion, and served for three months in the First Regiment R. I. Detached Militia, taking part in the first battle of Bull Run. He is now, and for several years past has been, a metal dealer and brass founder in Boston, in company with Enos B. Phillips, under the firm name of Mowry & Phillips, doing a large and prosperous business.

737. SUSAN ANNA MOWRY, daughter of Harris J., born Aug. 25, 1835; married [1] Nov. 16, 1851, DAVID CAR-

SON HAWKINS. He was born in Western New York. He died about 1871, in Sheboygan, Wis.

CHILDREN.

Fannie Jane, b. Feb. 5, 1856.
Charles Albert, b. Aug. 18, 1857.

Married [2] in Duxbury, Mass., Sept. 8, 1877, JOHN WILDE. They reside in Duxbury, Mass.

738. ELISHA CAPRON MOWRY, son of Harris J., born Dec. 26, 1836, in Smithfield, R. I.; married Oct. 7, 1869, HANNAH RICHARDSON, daughter of Benjamin, of Providence. She was born March 31, 1849.

CHILDREN.

948. Fanny Richardson, b. June 22, 1871.
949. Benjamin Richardson, b. Nov. 5, 1872.
950. Emma Augusta, b. Sept. 29, 1873.
951. Charles Matteson, b. June 29, 1876.
952. Harris Jencks, b. Aug. 19, 1878.

Elisha C. Mowry was born in Smithfield, near Blackstone. When about four years old, his father and family moved to Providence, where he had the advantages of the excellent schools of that city till he was twelve years of age.

After a residence of more than two years in Sheboygan, Wis., he returned to Providence, and between 1851 and 1853 prepared for college at the excellent university grammar school, of which Messrs. Frieze and Lyon were principals.

Entering Brown University in 1853, he had completed

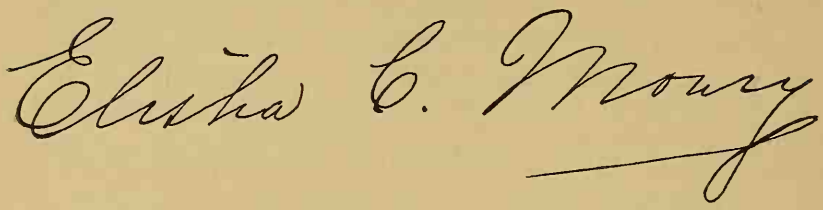
but half of the college course, when ill health compelled him to suspend his studies. The next four years were passed in teaching school in New York State, in which he was particularly successful, and in commercial business in Buffalo, N. Y. Having recovered his health, he returned to his college studies in 1859, and graduated at Brown University in 1861.

He served his country in the Tenth Regiment Rhode Island Volunteers in 1862, and during the next three years pursued the study of law in the office of the Hon. Samuel Currey, of Providence, teaching school winters in Rhode Island and Massachusetts with marked success. In 1864 and early in 1865, he was the principal of the High School in East Douglas. He was admitted to the Rhode Island bar in May, 1865, and to the United States Courts in 1866.

Elisha C. Mowry is one of the most promising young lawyers of Providence. He has the entire confidence of the people and of a large clientage, as an honest, upright man, well-read in legal matters, of broad intelligence, large general culture, and sound judgment. Although attached to a political party largely in the minority, he has repeatedly been elected by the people to several responsible offices of trust and honor.

He has been an active and efficient member of the School Board of Providence since 1872, for several years chairman of the important committee on evening schools; was a member of the Common Council from 1871 to 1877. In the latter year he was elected alderman. In these positions he has exerted large influence, having been chairman and member of some of the most important standing and special committees.

His autograph is illustrated by the following cut : —



739. SARAH JANE MOWRY, daughter of Harris J., born May 23, 1839 ; married Aug. 19, 1857, Lester E. Ross, of Providence. No children.

Sarah J. (Mowry) Ross died on board the steamship "Humboldt," July 21, 1874, and was buried at sea, in Lat. N. 49 ° 48′, Long. W. 11 ° 40′.

Mrs. Ross has often been called by her friends and relatives "the best of all the Mowrys." She had a character singularly pure, a disposition full of sweetness and gentleness, and a mind well-cultured, fruitful, and active. Living not for herself, enjoying most when contributing most to the happiness of others, heroic in her Christian benevolence, she was the dearly beloved of a wide circle of friends and acquaintances. She was a sincere and devoted Christian.

A memorial service, attended by a large concourse of people, was held in the Church of the Redeemer, Providence, Sept. 20, 1874, at which the rector, the Rev. C. H. Wheeler, officiated, and from his sermon the following extracts are made : —

"After a long and wasting sickness in a foreign land, Mrs. Sarah J. Ross entered into rest, leaving to her friends and kindred an example as pure and beautiful and attractive as the Church is wont to exhibit in these latter days. The

sad and painful circumstances of a death at sea having precluded the funeral rites and offices so dear and sacred to the bereaved, we join, with a sympathy the more deep and earnest, in the solemnities of this occasion, alike grateful to the sorrowing hearts of the living, and due to the cherished and hallowed memory of the dead. . . .

"Though her birth and early youth were here, she was soon removed to the distant West, where, after being orphaned of both her parents, she was 'born again, and received into the congregation of Christ's flock.'

"One of the first and most signal achievements of her new life was the complete triumph over her constitutional infirmity, a strong tendency to melancholy, which had saddened much of her earlier life. Thenceforth a uniform cheerfulness, even joyousness, was as marked a trait in her character.

"True and deep sympathy is the great secret of personal influence. This she possessed in a high degree. It is as conspicuous in her letters as it was marked in her daily life. It appears in the strong interest felt in the young, as well as the old; the gay and thoughtless boys and girls, as well as the aged and more sober-minded. She always said something pleasant to them or about them. There was ever something in her look or tone which indicated her lively interest in their happiness. The measure she meted to others was meted to her again. Attracted towards others, they were in turn drawn to her. It was a a mutual sympathy which continued to the last, even among strangers, and called forth many touching instances of affection, helping to lighten the burden of the weary hours of sickness in a foreign clime.

"Nearly allied to this trait in her character was a habit of active devotion to the good of others, especially of her nearer relatives and friends. Were it becoming to intrude upon the sanctity and privacy of domestic life, our lamented

friend would here appear in all the loveliness of a self-sacrificing devotion. But it must suffice to say that her piety was active, rather than contemplative, evincing itself in that ' charity which never faileth,' and which ' seeketh not her own.' . . .

" It had been with her a life-desire to cross the ocean and visit other lands. The gratification of this desire brought to our friend a tide of satisfaction as exuberant as it was of brief duration. She rejoiced in everything grand or beautiful which her eyes beheld, alike in the wonders of the storm-tossed ocean, and in the sweet sights and odors which made Nature glad in the gardens around her ; and to the last, though wasted with sickness, and doubtful of regaining her native land, she regarded the lively satisfaction received during her absence, from the beauties and wonders so lavishly exhibited in nature and art, as ample compensation for all the ills she had been called to endure in its attainment.

" In May, 1873, she passed her thirty-fourth birthday in Vienna, Austria, with usual health and unclouded prospects. Within a month her journal tells of feverishness and pain, the result of a sudden cold ; afterwards of sleepless nights, and thoughts of possible sickness in a foreign land. Though no special anxiety is manifest, she has evidently contemplated the possibility of never again seeing home; and subsequent entries reveal deep tenderness of feeling for loved ones at home, and a fervent interest in things divine, with glimpses of Christian faith and feeling which show that if the eventful day should come upon her unawares it would not find her unprepared.

" On the 10th of August she took cold anew, and from that time commenced in earnest that unequal struggle against disease and pain which nearly a year afterwards ended in her release from mortal life. On the 13th of September occurred the last entry in her journal, — noth-

ing of her own hopes or suffering or fears, — but an expression of glowing sympathy for a sick and, as it proved, dying relative, and earnest prayers that God would help and comfort him ; thus to the last having

> "'Tears for other's woe,
> And patience for her own.'

"In July last she was again embarked upon the sea, in hope of, at least, reaching her native land. But an all-wise Providence had otherwise ordained. On the fourth day of the homeward voyage, conscious to the last, and hopeful still of meeting her friends at home, she gently fell asleep ; and the weary was at rest.

> "'Night dews fall not more gently to the ground,
> Nor weary, worn-out winds expire so soft.'

At dead of night, in deep and tempestuous darkness, her coffined remains were committed, in reverent silence, to the deep, to join the great throng whom the ocean numbers with the dead ; there to remain in undisturbed repose on its clean, cold bed, until the resurrection of the just. The departing spirit journeyed onward in peace to its habitation in the skies."

740. GEORGE WATERMAN MOWRY, son of Harris J., born in Providence, R. I., Oct. 24, 1844.

He learned the printer's trade in Wisconsin, and at the age of seventeen years, in the first year of the recent Rebellion, he enlisted in a Wisconsin battery, and served to the end of the war, — re-enlisting after his first term of three years had expired. He is now living in Dayton, Ohio, and is one of the editors and publishers of the *Dayton Life Boat*, a temperance monthly printed in that city.

742. LEWIS DEXTER MOWRY, son of Smith, born in Charleston, S. C., June 22, 1824; married March 12, 1846, MARGARET D. MCNELLAGE.

CHILDREN.

953. Albert Haven, b. July 2, 1847.
954. Another son; died in infancy.

Lewis D. Mowry was the eldest son of Smith Mowry. He was born in Charleston, S. C., and was educated in that city. When a mere youth, he entered into his father's business of a cotton factor, which he has since continued and largely extended. He is the present president of the Union Bank, and an energetic citizen, deeply interested in all that concerns the welfare and advancement of his native city.

743. ELISHA COOK MOWRY, son of Smith, born in Charleston, S. C., Sept. 16, 1826; died Aug. 27, 1860.

He graduated at Brown University, and having studied law, was admitted to practice. He was possessed of a clear, discerning mind, and fairly earned the reputation of a well-read lawyer. He spared no trouble in the suits in which he was engaged, and was a young man of superior talents. At the early age of 34 years, Aug. 27, 1860, he died at Check's Springs, S. C., and the sincere regret of a numerous clientage, whose interests commanded so entirely his energy and ability, well attested his worth and usefulness.

744. EDWARD SMITH MOWRY, son of Smith, born Aug. 31, 1828; died Dec. 24, 1863, at Charleston, S. C.

He was a major in the Confederate army. Not married.

Edward S. Mowry was born at Sullivan's Island, S. C. While in the midst of his collegiate course, he enlisted in the Palmetto Regiment, raised in South Carolina, for the Mexican war.

Afterwards, in the Confederate war, he took the side of the South. Faithfully he stood up for what he thought the right, and gave up his life for the Southern cause, as a major in its service. He died Dec. 24, 1863, at Charleston.

746. WILLIAM SYLVESTER MOWRY, son of Smith, born Dec. 4, 1832; married Dec. —, 1866, JENNIE MCLAURIN, daughter of Col. T. C. Weatherly, of South Carolina.

CHILDREN.

955. Lewis Dexter,
956. William Sylvester, } b. Sept. 29, 1867.
957. Smith, b. Aug. 4, 1869.
958. Amey Dexter, b. Oct. 17, 1871.
959. Louise, b. Dec. 27, 1873.

These children were all born in Marlboro' District, S. C., except the youngest. She was born in Englewood, N. J.

Mr. Mowry moved from South Carolina to Englewood, N. J., in 1873, where he now resides. He is a member of the Cotton Exchange of New York City.

747. LYDIA COMSTOCK MOWRY, daughter of Smith, born Sept. 11, 1835, in Smithfield, R. I., at the old homestead; married in Providence, R. I., Nov. 23, 1876, JOSEPH T. WELLS, of Charleston, S. C., an importer and wholesale dealer in dry goods.

Few families of the name of Mowry, or of any other name, can present a more honorable record in respect to intelligence, enterprise, strict integrity, and high character,

than the descendants of Smith Mowry. Warm in their attachment to home and friends, honorable in all the affairs of life, daily exemplifying the high principles of the Christian religion, they have filled useful and important stations, always with credit to themselves, and have ever received the highest respect from all with whom they have been associated.

749. CHARLES EDWARD MOWRY, son of Charles C., born Aug. 5, 1828; married Dec. 15, 1854, HARRIET CLAFLIN, daughter of Orin, of Providence, R. I.

CHILDREN.

960. Hattie Aldrich, b. March 1, 1863, in Providence, R. I.
961. Alice, b. May 9, 1867, in San Francisco, Cal.
962. Edward, b. June 7, 1870, in Guaymas, Mexico.

Charles E. Mowry was a sea-captain, and now lives near San Francisco, engaged in mining.

752. LIEUT. SYLVESTER MOWRY, son of Charles C., born Jan. 17, 1833; graduated at West Point Military Academy; died in London, Oct. 17, 1871, aged 38 years, 8 mos.

Lieut. Mowry was probably more widely known at his death than any other man of the family name in America.

The following careful and truthful biographical sketch is from the graceful pen of his warm personal friend, Hon. Henry B. Anthony, United States Senator from Rhode Island, and appeared in the *Providence Journal* the day he died.

DEATH OF SYLVESTER MOWRY.

"A despatch from London announces the death of Sylvester Mowry, in that city, on the 17th. This intelligence

is not unexpected. Mr. Mowry left this city a few weeks ago, terribly shattered in health, and with little hope of returning, but feeling it right to consult the best medical advice, which, for the disease under which he was suffering, known as Bright's disease, was thought to be found in a celebrated physician of London. In a note written on the day of his leaving Providence, he said: 'I don't think I have lost my courage, but the constant pain and croakings of the doctors have made me indifferent to any result except a great horror of being an invalid for a long time, of neither use nor pleasure to myself or any one else.'

"Mr. Mowry was the son of the late Charles C. Mowry, of this city, and was descended from one of the oldest and most respectable families of Smithfield. He was educated at the Military Academy at West Point, and, after graduating, entered the United States Army. Fascinated with the undeveloped wealth of the Pacific slope, and full of the spirit of adventure which found its exercise in the pioneer life, he resigned his commission, and engaged in mining enterprises in Arizona. These he followed with varying success, but on the whole, we judge, with remunerative results; although his mining property suffered severely at different times, from Indian raids and massacres. But the returns must have been pretty large in spite of them.

"In the Thirty-fifth Congress an attempt was made to organize Arizona into a territorial government, and, in expectation of success, Mr. Mowry was elected by the people to represent them as delegate in the House of Representatives. But the bill failed. He remained identified with the interests of Arizona, and held a high place in the popular regard of the people, for whom he always manifested a lively interest, and to whom he was, on several occasions, able to render service in directing the attention of the government to measures for their protection. He received from President Buchanan the Commission to run the boundary line between California and Nevada, on which he was

employed when, on the accession of Mr. Lincoln, he was superseded for political reasons.

"Mr. Mowry was a man of more than ordinary ability, well educated, accomplished, familiar with military and political and ethnological subjects, of pleasing address, and a most agreeable companion. His acquaintance was large among the public men of the country. He had the virtue and the faults of a sanguine temperament, and it was natural for him to take strong and sometimes exaggerated views of passing events.

"The mistake of Mr. Mowry's life was that he did not offer his sword to his country in the time of her severest trial. Of Northern birth, and educated at West Point, he owed this to the government. Had he done it, he probably would have died a major-general. But he had associated himself with the Democratic party, and his relations were intimate with Southern men, although he had no sympathy with their treason. He was arrested and confined at Fort Yuma, on a charge of disloyalty; but he fully established his innocence, and we believe that there was some private hostility in the accusation; and he was released with his honor vindicated.

"Mr. Mowry died unmarried. He was a most affectionate son. The declining years of his father, who was known to so many of our readers, were soothed by his filial devotion; and to his only sister, a lady of uncommon attractions, who preceded him to the 'undiscovered land,' he was more than a brother. He supplied the place of a father."

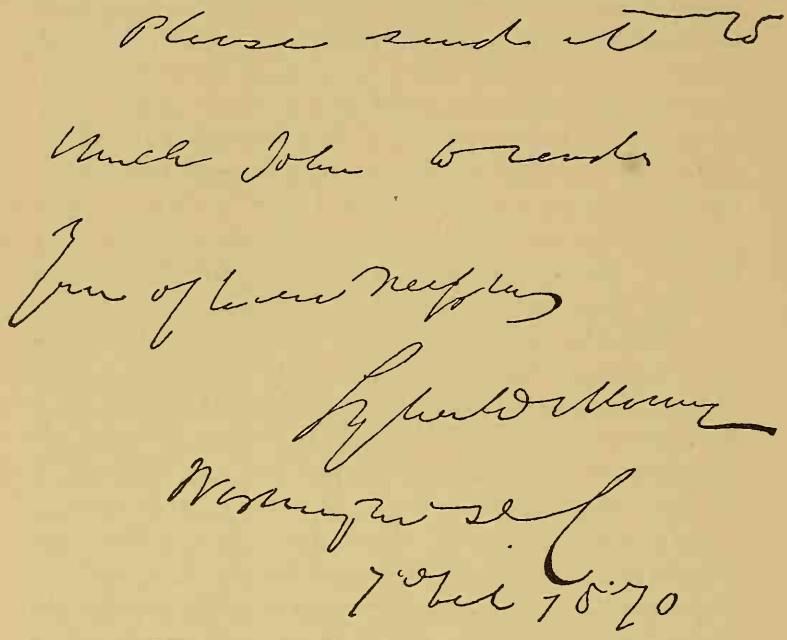
The following notice of his death appeared in the *London Daily Telegraph*, Oct. 19, 1871: —

"On Tuesday last, Mr. Sylvester Mowry, of Arizona, a truly representative American, breathed his last at Fenton's Hotel, in St. James's Street. The deceased was a native of Rhode Island, and received his education at the

Military Academy of the United States, at West Point, where he graduated shortly after the conclusion of the Mexican war. He served in the Engineer Corps of the United States army until after the acquisition of Arizona, when he attached his political fortunes to the newly-annexed territory, and remained until death its most steadfast and faithful friend. The Mowry or Patagonian mine, of which he was once the owner, was among the first metallurgical enterprises attempted in a territory regarded by many persons as the veritable El Dorado of the New World. When the war of secession broke out, the proclivities of the sparse white population scattered over the vast area of Arizona were for the most part intensely Southern. In spite of his New England extraction, Mr. Mowry was strongly suspected of 'rebel' sympathies; and, aware of the contagious influence which, by his example, he would exercise among the lawless rangers by whom he was so beloved, the Federal general in command of the territory promptly arrested him, and kept him prisoner for many months in Tucson. Released before long, Mr. Mowry took no part upon either side during the four years of frenzied strife which convulsed the North American Continent between 1861 and 1865. But, despite the aroma of rebellion which hung about him, Mr. Mowry was a member of the Union Club, perhaps the best of many similar institutions with which New York abounds, and was one of the most popular and 'clubable' men within its walls. A man of strong and marked character, and an excellent *raconteur*, Mr. Mowry was an admirable specimen of a class to which no country except the United States can show a parallel. Carrying with him the high cultivation of West Point, than which there are few better military colleges in the world, he plunged into the wild and rugged territory which he chose for his home, and gained paramount influence over the rough western pioneers, the Mexican 'greasers,' and the Apache Indians, among whom he lived. There are not

many men in the States who were better known, or who will be more regretted by a numerous circle of friends, extending from the Atlantic to the Pacific Oceans."

The following is a fac-simile of the closing sentence and signature of a letter written from Washington, D. C. : —



754. HENRY CLAY MOWRY, son of Charles C., born Feb. 18, 1838, died May 22, 1863, aged 25 years. He was first lieutenant in the United States Army, and was killed in battle at Vicksburg.

The following notice was copied from a Providence newspaper: "The funeral services of First-Lieut. Henry C. Mowry, 72d Regiment Illinois Infantry, killed in the battle of Vicksburg, May 22, 1863, youngest son of the late Charles C. Mowry, Esq., of this city, will be held at No. 10 Bowen Street, on Thursday, Feb. 18, at 12 o'clock."

755. CELIA EMMA MOWRY, daughter of Charles C., born July 10, 1840; married Dec. 17, 1868, T. B. Saxton. She died at Warehouse Point, Conn., Nov. 19, 1869, aged 29 years.

CHILD.

Cecil Mowry, b. Nov. 18, 1869, at Warehouse Point, Conn.; died July 28, 1870, at New Haven.

761. PHEBE ALMIRA MOWRY, daughter of John A., born Aug. 12, 1850; married May 23, 1875, Adin Capron, of Woonsocket.

CHILD.

Helen Mowry, b. Feb. 1, 1877.

Mr. Capron is a very worthy man, engaged in running a flouring mill at Stillwater, R. I.

764. ELLA DEXTER MOWRY, daughter of John D., born Jan. 17, 1848; married Oct. 21, 1874, Rev. D. W. Hoyt, son of Daniel C., of Haverhill, Mass. He was born Aug. 12, 1845.

CHILD.

Mabel, b. July 26, 1875.

Rev. Mr. Hoyt is pastor of a Baptist church in Amherst, Mass.

767. JULIA ESTELLA MOWRY, daughter of Smith, born Oct. 1, 1848; married Nov. 23, 1872, John A. Owen, of Providence, R. I.

CHILDREN.

Fred, b. Feb. 11, 1874.

A daughter, b. Jan. 24, 1876.

790. ELISHA ARNOLD MOWRY, son of Elisha; married Hannah Smith. They had two daughters.

795. JOSEPH EDWARD MOWRY, son of Jencks, born Nov. 2, 1845; married Dec. 29, 1870, CAROLINE WHIPPLE LOW, daughter of Samuel Low, of Providence, R. I.

CHILDREN.

970. Jeanette Low, b. Oct. 18, 1871.
971. Grace Greene, b. Dec. 7, 1873.

Joseph E. Mowry is a graduate of Brown University, and is successfully engaged in teaching with his father, at Mount Pleasant Academy, Providence, R. I.

825. WILLIAM MOWRY, son of Randall; married LYDIA BLACKMER.

CHILDREN.

980. Alanzo.
981. Mary Anna.

826. HENRY MOWRY, son of Randall; married DEBORAH KERR.

CHILDREN.

982. Charles.
983. George.
984. Anne.
985. William.
986. Frank.

Henry Mowry lives in Smithfield, R. I.

827. DANIEL MOWRY, son of Randall, born Oct. 27, 1825; married Sept. —, 1847, SUSAN TAYLOR, of Greenville, R. I.

CHILD.

987. Latilla, b. June —, 1856.

Daniel Mowry lives in Chepachet, R. I.

828. AMEY MOWRY, daughter of Randall; married GEORGE LATHAM.

829. RANDALL MOWRY, JR., son of Randall; married BARBERY STEERE.

CHILDREN.

988. Anna.
989. Fred; dead.
990. Mary; dead.

830. ELIZA MOWRY, daughter of Randall; married EDWIN KELLEY.

831. THOMAS MOWRY, son of Randall, born July 28, 1835; married June 27, 1855, JANE E. BURLINGAME. No children.

Thomas Mowry is a carriage-painter, living at Centredale, R. I.

832. EMILY MOWRY, daughter of Randall; married JESSE STEERE.

833. GEORGE MOWRY, son of Randall; married MARY SMITH.

CHILDREN.

991. George.
992. Sarah.

834. ALBERT MOWRY, son of Randall; married SARAH COOK.

CHILD.

993. Eva.

836. EDWARD MOWRY, son of Randall; married; lives in Uxbridge, and has two children.

837. ABBY MOWRY, daughter of Randall; married DAVID LEONARD.

We will close this chapter by giving, in tabular form, a list of the Mowrys who have represented Smithfield and several other towns of the State in the General Assembly.

Date of Election.	Name.	Town.	Term Expires.
May 4, 1686,	Mr. Joseph Mowry . .	Deputy for James Town .	
May 3, 1698,	Mr. Joseph Mowry . .	" " " . .	
May 6, 1701,	Mr. Joseph Mowry . .	" " " . .	
May 2, 1704,	Mr. Joseph Mowry . .	" " " . .	
May 4, 1708,	Mr. Joseph Mowry . .	" " " . .	
Oct. 27, 1708,	Mr. Joseph Mowry . .	" " " . .	
May 1, 1711,	Mr. Joseph Mowry . .	" " " . .	
May 5, 1734,	Capt. Joseph Mowry .	" " Smithfield . .	
May, 1760,	Capt. Joseph Mowry .	" " " . .	Oct., 1761.
Oct., 1763,	Capt. Joseph Mowry .	" " " . .	Oct., 1764.
May, 1757,	Jeremiah Mowry . .	" " " . .	
June, 1758,	Jeremiah Mowry . .	" " " . .	May, 1759.
May, 1759,	Joseph Mowry, Jr. . .	" " " . .	May, 1760.
Oct., 1765,	Daniel Mowry, Jr., Esq.,	" " " . .	May, 1767.
Feb., 1769,	Daniel Mowry, Jr., Esq.,	" " " . .	Oct., 1769.
May, 1770,	Daniel Mowry, Jr., Esq.,	" " " . .	May, 1772.
Oct., 1772,	Daniel Mowry, Jr., Esq.,	" " " . .	May, 1774.
May, 1775,	Daniel Mowry, Jr., Esq.,	" " " . .	Oct., 1775.
May, 1776,	Daniel Mowry, Jr., Esq.,	" " " . .	May, 1777.
Oct., 1778,	Daniel Mowry, Jr., Esq.,	" " " . .	May, 1779.
Feb., 1786,	Daniel Mowry, Jr., Esq.,	" " " . .	June, 1786.
Oct., 1791,	Daniel Mowry, Jr., Esq.,	" " " . .	May, 1792.
Oct., 1780,	Elisha Mowry	" " " . .	May, 1781.
Oct., 1782,	Elisha Mowry	" " " . .	Feb., 1784.
May, 1784,	Elisha Mowry	" " " . .	Feb., 1785.
May, 1786,	Thomas Mowry . . .	" " Scituate . . .	
May, 1798,	William Mowry . . .	" " Smithfield . .	May, 1802.
May, 1808,	Enos Mowry	Represent. for " . .	May, 1809.
May, 1829,	Morton Mowry . . .	" " " . .	May, 1831.
May, 1835,	Sessions Mowry . . .	" " " . .	May, 1836.
May, 1838,	Sessions Mowry . . .	Senator " " . .	May, 1842.
May, 1844,	Sessions Mowry . . .	" " " . .	May, 1845.
May, 1836,	Jeremiah Mowry . .	Represent. for Burrillville .	May, 1838.
May, 1848,	Edwin W. Mowry . .	" " Smithfield .	May, 1849.
May, 1854,	Edwin W. Mowry . .	" " " . .	May, 1855.
May, 1852,	Elisha Mowry, 2d . .	" " " . .	May, 1855.
May, 1854,	Smith R. Mowry . . .	" " " . .	May, 1855.
May, 1855,	Smith Mowry	" " Burrillville .	May, 1858.
May, 1859,	Daniel Mowry	" " Smithfield .	May, 1860.
May, 1859,	Jabez W. Mowry . . .	" " " . .	May, 1864.
May, 1867,	Jabez W. Mowry . . .	" " " . .	May, 1873.
May, 1877,	Jabez W. Mowry . . .	Senator " " . .	Pres. mem.
May, 1865,	Simon B. Mowry . .	Represent. " " . .	May, 1866.
May, 1865,	Spencer Mowry . . .	" " " . .	May, 1868.
May, 1868,	Arlon Mowry	" " " . .	May, 1871.
May, 1871,	Arlon Mowry	Senator " N. Smithfield,	May, 1873.
May, 1877,	Rensselaer L. Mowry .	Represent. " Lincoln . .	Pres. mem.

CHAPTER VIII.

THE EIGHTH GENERATION.

866. CHARLES MOWRY, son of Windsor; married KATE IDE.

867. THOMAS MOWRY, son of Windsor; married [1] EMMA THURSTON.

CHILD.

1001. Mary.

Married [2] DORA REYNOLDS, and had one child.

869. ABBY JANE MOWRY, daughter of Shadrach; married MERRICK REYNOLDS.

872. LOUIS N. MOWRY, son of Charles, Jr. Was married, but nothing further is known of him.

873. EMILY MOWRY, daughter of Charles, Jr.; married SENECA SMITH.

874. JULIA MOWRY, daughter of Charles, Jr.; married ALBERT SMITH.

876. SARAH MOWRY, daughter of Charles, Jr.; married WILLIAM STEERE.

881. ALBERT WATERMAN MOWRY, Jr., son of Albert W., born at Winfield, N. Y., Aug. 5, 1846; married Sept. 18, 1872, Gertie H. Greene.

He was a member of Co. C, Sixtieth Massachusetts Regiment, having enlisted July 14, 1864, for one hundred days. He is a merchant in Brookfield, Madison Co., N. Y.

882. MARTHA JANE MOWRY, daughter of Albert W., born at Winfield, N. Y., Dec. 11, 1850; married Oct. 4, 1869, Joseph W. C. Burdick. She died Jan. 13, 1872, at Milwaukee, Wis.

899. DARWIN RUSH MOWRY, son of Daniel A., born Jan. 13, 1820; married in Providence, May 26, 1844, Mary E. Steere.

CHILDREN.

1002. Mary Jencks, b. Dec. 2, 1846; died March 4, 1853.
1003. Adah Isabel, b. Aug. 30, 1858; died March 26, 1860.
1004. Florine Holbrook, b. April 9, 1863.

900. DANIEL A. MOWRY, Jr., son of Daniel A., born Nov. 15, 1828; married Isabel Fletcher, daughter of Joseph, of Providence.

CHILDREN.

1005. Mira Buffum.
1006. Mary F.
1007. Classen.

901. EMOR H. MOWRY, son of Daniel A., born Oct. 20, 1833; married Jan. 28, 1862, Amanda M. Slocum, of Georgiaville, R. I. She was born June 14, 1841.

CHILDREN.

1008. Daniel A., b. Feb. 19, 1863 ; d. March 4, 1865.
1009. Emily Isabel, b. July 27, 1865 ; died July 19, 1877.
1010. Abby H., b. March 9, 1867.
1011. Emor H., b. Sept. 18, 1870 ; d. July 5, 1877.
1012. Amanda M., b. March 15, 1872.
1013. Anne Louise, b. May 10, 1875 ; d. July 11, 1877.

Emor H. Mowry is a farmer, living upon the homestead of his grandfather, and his grandfather's grandfather. He is a very worthy, upright man. He has had six children, only two of whom are now living, three having died of diphtheria within two weeks of each other, in July, 1877.

902. NATHANIEL SPAULDING MOWRY, son of Daniel A., born April 18, 1839 ; married [1] Dec. 16, 1860, MARY E. IRONS, daughter of Fenner.

CHILDREN.

1014. Jobie Shaw, b. January, 1864 ; died June 26, 1866.
1015. Chelsey Beach, b. Jan. 4, 1869.

Married [2] June 12, 1878, ISABEL STANDISH, daughter of James Chester, of Watertown, Mass.

903. ASHA ANNIE ELIZABETH MOWRY, daughter of Dr. Samuel ; married March 18, 1868, FRANKLIN P. BRANCH.

CHILDREN.

Roby Bellows, b. in Providence, April 6, 1869.
Waity Angell Mowry, b. in North Bend, Neb., July 10, 1870 ; died Aug. 23, 1870.
Annie Mowry, b. in Providence, October 10, 1871 ; died April 3, 1872.

904. LILLY BURRILL MOWRY, son of Burrill R., born April 7, 1840; married in 1862, ELLEN E. ESTEN, daughter of Stephen, of Burrillville.

CHILD.

1016. Erswell, b. Aug. 12, 1863.

Lilly B. Mowry is a very respectable man, an ingenious mechanic, capable of turning his hand to almost any trade. He lives in Smithfield, R. I.

905. DR. SAMUEL R. MOWRY, son of Burrill R., born Aug. 18, 1848; died Sept. 18, 1876, aged 28 years. Not married.

Dr. Samuel R. graduated at the Hahnemann Medical College in Philadelphia, in 1873, and practised medicine in Olneyville, and subsequently in Greenville, R. I., where he died, after a painful sickness, at the early age of twenty-eight.

906. NELSON MOWRY, son of Nelson H., early emigrated to California, where he became somewhat famous as a horseback rider. He is said to have rode 300 miles in 14 hours and 9 minutes, mounting and dismounting 286 times, using 30 horses, and losing 15 pounds in his weight, during the time of riding.

In the summer of 1876, he made a tour through New England and the Middle States with his California Polo Club, giving exhibitions of the exciting game of polo. His feats in horsemanship were truly wonderful, as described by the multitudes who witnessed them. He died of yellow fever in New Orleans, in the early summer of 1878.

907. ANN R. MOWRY, daughter of Deacon Samuel, born in Coventry, R. I., Feb. 26, 1819; married Nov. 4, 1845, Rev. J. W. Tuck. He was born in Kensington, N. H., Oct. 8, 1811.

CHILDREN.

Anna M., b. in Ludlow, Mass., May 14, 1848.
Irene M., b. in Ludlow, Mass., June 21, 1850; d. in Greenville, Ct., Oct. 3, 1865.
Samuel M., b. May 16, 1853; died in Ludlow, Sept. 24, 1855.
Carrie Cary, b. Aug. 13, 1855.
Alfred Webster, b. Aug. 6, 1858; d. in Ludlow, Mass., April 23, 1859.
Mary Steven, b. in Thorndike, Mass., Dec. 3, 1860.

Rev. J. Webster Tuck was a student in Hampton and Phillips Exeter Academies, N. H., and taught school several seasons. He fitted for college at Phillips Academy, Andover, and entered Amherst College in 1836; graduated in 1840; taught academy in West Brattleboro', Vt.; pursued theological studies at Andover, Mass., and at East Windsor, Conn. He was ordained to the Congregational ministry Sept. 6, 1843. His first pastorate was at Ludlow, Mass., from 1843 to Dec. 7, 1859. He was pastor of the First Church in Palmer, Mass., six years; preached for a time in Indian Orchard, Mass., and at Mystic Bridge, Conn. He was installed pastor of the church at Jewett City, May 3, 1866, and was dismissed June 28, 1876. He was installed pastor of the Third Church in Middletown, Ct., June 21, 1877, where he now remains.

While upon the editorial excursion to the Rocky Mountains and California in 1875, he preached six weeks in the

city of Benicia, Cal., and received an invitation to become pastor, which he declined. He delivered the Historical Address at the Centennial Celebration of the town of Ludlow, in 1874. His ministry has now covered the space of thirty-five years, and has been attended with good success. His wife, Ann R. (Mowry) Tuck, is a woman of unusually good mind, well educated, and great excellence of character. She graduated at the Mount Holyoke Female Seminary in 1842, and was immediately appointed a teacher in the same. She taught there in 1842 and 1843. They are highly esteemed by a very wide circle of friends and present or former parishioners.

908. JAMES D. MOWRY, son of Deacon Samuel, born at Canterbury, Conn., Nov. 5, 1820; married March, 1844, E. Louise Smith.

CHILDREN.

1017. David S., b. in Norwich, Ct., March, 1845.
1018. William C., b. in Norwich, Ct., June, 1850.
1019. Louisa S., b. in Norwich, Ct., August, 1858.
1020. Lucy C., b. in Norwich, Ct.

James D. Mowry is a manufacturer in Norwich, Ct.

909. JOHN S. MOWRY, son of Deacon Samuel, born in Bozrahville, Conn., Jan. 1, 1826; married Sept. 18, 1865, Mary G. Peters.

CHILDREN.

1021. John S., b. in Greenville, Conn.
1022. S. Jared, b. in Greenville, Conn.
1023. Halle B., b. in Preston, Conn.
1024. Grace E., b. in Preston, Conn.

John S. Mowry is a farmer in Preston, Conn.

910. DAVID S. MOWRY, son of Deacon Samuel, born in Bozrahville, Conn., March 10, 1827; not married. He graduated at Yale College in 1848. He was studying law with Judge Osborne, in Fairfield, Conn., at the time of his death, Nov. 14, 1848, in his 22d year.

911. STEPHEN J. MOWRY, son of Deacon Samuel, born at Bozrahville, Conn., June 26, 1828; married in 1853, DELIA PETERS.

CHILDREN.

1025. Lulu.
1026. Anna Griswold.

They both died young.

Stephen Jared Mowry was actively engaged as a manufacturer in the Mowry Axle Machine business in Greenville, Conn. He died Aug. 26, 1865, aged 37 years.

917. RUTH WHEELER MOWRY, daughter of Jonathan, born June 6, 1822; married Sept. 21, 1841, GEORGE INMAN, of Burrillville, R. I., son of George Inman. He was born Dec. 23, 1818; died Aug. 7, 1876, aged 57 years, 7 months, 14 days.

CHILDREN.

George Buffum, b. March 18, 1843.
Willard Frederick, b. July 8, 1845.
Eugene Ferdinand, b. Aug. 29, 1847.
Arthur Irving, b. Jan. 11, 1850.
Eliza Ann, b. Jan. 14, 1852.
Augustus Washington, b. Dec. 24, 1853.
Walter Samuel, b. Dec. 24, 1856.
Mary Alberta, b. Jan. 30, 1859.
Alice Wood, b. June 30, 1861.
Charlie Elmer, b. Feb. 24, 1865.

George Inman was a lineal descendant from that Edward Inman whose daughter Johannah married, in 1666, Nathaniel Mowry, the father of all this race of Mowrys. He was a farmer, an honest man, a good neighbor, a kind friend, and an intelligent citizen. On a small farm, with poor health, he and his wife brought up and educated a family of ten children.

The following obituary notice appeared in the editorial colums of the *Woonsocket Patriot* a few days subsequent to his death.

GEORGE INMAN.

"'Let not Ambition mock their useful toil,
Their homely joys and destiny obscure :
Nor Grandeur hear with a disdainful smile
The short and simple annals of the poor.

"'Far from the mad'ning crowd's ignoble strife,
Their sober wishes never learned to stray :
Along the cool, sequestered vale of life,
They kept the noiseless tenor of their way.

"'Large was his bounty, and his soul sincere ;
Heaven did a recompense as largely send.'

"'The times change, and the people change with them,' wrote the old Roman. New England at the present day is no exception to the truth of these words. If 'God made the country, and man made the town,' but few persons nowadays choose to remain in God's dominions, but most prefer the excitement, or the vices, or both, of the crowded *man-town*.

"It is refreshing, once in a while, to look upon a picture of the olden time ; to find a strong man, intelligent, active, but disposed to remain upon the homestead of his fathers, and spend his life in the quiet contentment of agricultural pursuits.

"George Inman was born Dec. 23, 1818, in the

house where he always lived, and where he died. He was the son of George, and his first-born bears the same name. His earliest ancestor in America was Edward Inman, who with Stephen Arnold and John and Nathaniel Mowry, commenced the first settlement in Northern Rhode Island as early as the year 1650.

"Through the whole history of this colony and this State, the descendants of Edward have figured more or less prominently in matters relating to the public and private welfare of Northern Rhode Island.

"Conspicuous among the many honored names of this family, for quiet contentment, for domestic virtues, for honest integrity, stands the name of him who is the subject of this sketch.

"Thirty-five years of his married life had nearly passed before death broke the circle of his own immediate family, and then it was to leave his wife a widow and his ten children fatherless. On a small farm, which for many years, during the life-time of his mother, he conducted 'upon shares,' he had managed to bring up a large family, the members of which, together with the host of oft-visiting friends, will ever remember the abundance of good cheer, the quiet, contented spirit of happiness and good feeling which ever pervaded the household. It will never be known here what tact and management were necessary on the part of this worthy couple, what forethought and planning were needed to anticipate and supply all the wants of this growing family of seven boys and three girls; how they were clothed and fed, and how all, save the youngest two, have had opportunities for intellectual culture in some of the best high and normal schools of New England. These ten children and three grandchildren, hurried home by the news of his mortal illness, stood around his bedside and ministered to his wants with willing and affectionate hands during his latest hours, and received his last blessing.

"Just at high noon, having finished all his earthly duties, in the full possession of his faculties, death crept over him, and with the words, 'It grows misty; I cannot see,' he passed away from earth.

"Few New England homes have been pervaded by a purer spirit of domestic peace than this one. Few families can show ten children brought up to greater thrift and energy of character, than in this instance. As the widowed mother of these children look back upon the pictures which memory brings crowding upon the mind, well may she rejoice and be truly grateful to the Giver of all blessings for the measure of good that has been bestowed upon her, and she will have abundant reason to say, 'Through much tribulation are we made perfect.'"

919. WILLIAM A. MOWRY, son of Jonathan, born Aug. 13, 1829; married [1] Nov. 15, 1849, RUFINA M. E. WEAVER, daughter of Nehemiah K. and Freelove M. Weaver, Slatersville, R. I. She was born Nov. 11, 1831; died March 11, 1850, aged 18 years and 4 months, of consumption, four months after her marriage.

Married [2] April 29, 1858, CAROLINE E. ALDRICH, daughter of Ezekiel and Eliza D. Aldrich, Woonsocket, R. I. She was born March 15, 1835.

CHILDREN.

1028. Walter Herbert, b. May 29, 1859.
1029. Arthur May, b. Jan. 19, 1862.
1030. Ruth Emeline, b. June 16, 1867.

William A. Mowry has been a teacher in Providence, R. I., for more than twenty years. He began teaching in 1847, in Mohegan, R. I. During the next four years he taught in Burrillville, Uxbridge, and Whitinsville. He

then fitted for college at Phillips Academy, Andover, Mass., where he graduated in 1854, and entered Brown University. Prevented by ill health from completing the course, he was obliged to leave college, and traveled to recruit his health. From September, 1857, to February, 1860, he was the editor and publisher of the *Rhode Island Schoolmaster*. From May, 1858, to February, 1864, he taught in the public High School, Providence, during most of which time he was the principal of the English and Scientific Department. In September, 1862, he enlisted in the Eleventh Regiment R. I. Infantry, and was promoted to a captaincy. He took command of Company K, and served through the term for which the regiment enlisted, and was honorably discharged, July 13, 1863. He was a licensed preacher of the Congregational Church, and for nearly a year was acting pastor of the Elmwood Congregational Church, Cranston, afterwards Providence. He was the superintendent of the public schools of Cranston from 1864 to 1866.

In February, 1864, he commenced "THE ENGLISH AND CLASSICAL SCHOOL," a private institution for boys, of which he is now the senior principal. The school now numbers two hundred and fifty pupils, and has fifteen teachers.

In 1866 he received the honorary degree of Master of Arts from Brown University, and was subsequently elected member of the Phi Beta Kappa Fraternity.

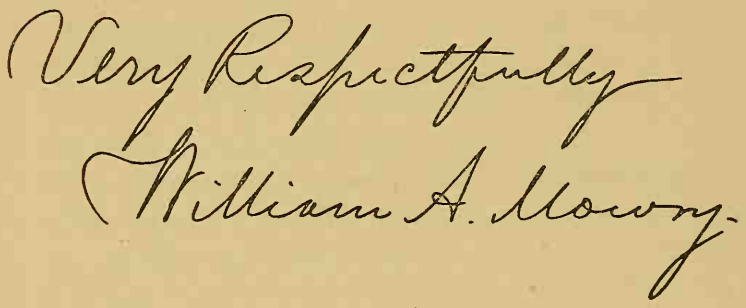
He has been active in educational movements, especially in connection with the Rhode Island Institute of Instruction, of which he has been president, and the American Institute of Instruction. He has been interested in public movements, and a member of several societies, among which may be named the Providence Young Men's Chris-

tian Association, the Providence Franklin Society, the Rhode Island Society for the Encouragement of Domestic Industry, the Rhode Island Horticultural Society, and the Rhode Island Historical Society.

He is the author of some small publications, among which may be mentioned, "Who Invented the First American Steamboat?" published by the New Hampshire Antiquarian Society.

He has given lectures before the normal schools of Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and Connecticut; teachers' institutes in New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania; the Rhode Island Historical Society, and other societies, and has contributed variously for the press.

Below is given a fac-simile of his handwriting.



920. HELEN FRANCELIA MOWRY, daughter of Richard D., born May 9, 1840; married Jan. 27, 1864, CHARLES A. ALDRICH, son of Arnold and Lucy Aldrich.

CHILD.

Morton Arnold, born Jan. 27, 1874, in Boston Highlands.

Helen F. Mowry received an excellent education, gradu-

ating at the Lasell Female Seminary in Auburndale, Mass. She taught as first assistant in the Woonsocket High School for several years with excellent success. She married Mr. Charles A. Aldrich, a wholesale boot and shoe merchant, in Boston. Mr. Aldrich is a very successful business man, honorable and upright, of unblemished Christian character. They are highly respected, and beloved by a wide circle of friends.

921. SARAH ELIZABETH MOWRY, daughter of Richard D., born Sept. 18, 1849; married Jan. 27, 1869, WALTER P. SCOTT, son of Samuel and Susan Farnum Scott, of Uxbridge, Mass.

Mr. Scott is a woolen manufacturer in Jewett City, Conn. They are very fine people, intelligent, honorable, and respected by all.

924. AMEY M. MOWRY, daughter of Rev. Junia, born March 26, 1841; married May 21, 1863, EDWARD DUNN.

926. PHEBE S. MOWRY, daughter of Rev. Junia, born June 6, 1844; married May, 1860, WILLIAM W. HAZEN.

928. MARTHA A. MOWRY, daughter of Rev. Junia, born Sept. 2, 1847; married Sept. 17, 1873, GEORGE BULL.

934. SIDNEY H. MOWRY, son of Lamech C., born July 12, 1848; married BERTHA D. PRATT. She was born Jan. 20, 1847.

CHILDREN.

1031. Edna E., b. Jan. 11, 1870.
1032. Mabel S., b. March 3, 1872.
1033. Leland B., b. July 13, 1875; died in 1877.

940. IMMER ANGELL MOWRY, son of Immer E., born June 21, 1844; married Oct. 8, 1867, ABBY JANE WILLARD, daughter of George A., of Ashburnham, Mass.

CHILDREN.

1034. Martha Willard, b. March 16, 1869, in East Hampton, Mass.
1035. Alice Angell, b. June 17, 1876, in Brooklyn, N. Y.

Immer A. Mowry lives in Brooklyn, N. Y.

953. ALBERT HAVEN MOWRY, son of Lewis D., born in Charleston, S. C., July 2, 1847; married Jan. 12, 1869, EMMA MANIGAULT, daughter of H. M. Manigault.

CHILDREN.

1040. Lewis Dexter, b. Oct. 24, 1869.
1041. Albert Haven, b. Oct. 22, 1870.
1042. Adele Manigault, b. April 30, 1872; died Oct. 20, 1872.
1043. Emma Manigault, b. Aug. 1, 1874.
1044. Helen Middleton, b. Oct. 6, 1876.

ADDITIONS AND CORRECTIONS.

Some information has been received since the foregoing pages were printed, which will be inserted here, with proper references to the body of the book. Some errors have been discovered, which will be corrected, so far as possible.

Page 25.

Fourth line from the top, read "1718" instead of "1716."

Page 39.

Ninth line from the top, read: "This Captain Joseph lived till the year 1746." See his Will, page 49.

Page 50.

Fourth line from the top, read "1746" instead of "1764."

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19. ELISHA MOWRY, died July 28, 1790.

CHILDREN.

38. Israel, b. Jan. 1, 1744.
39. Waite (see No. 58), b. 1746.
40. Uriah, b. 1758.
41. Esek, b. 1747; d. young.
42. Abiel, b. Sept. 8, 1756.

43. Amasa, b. 1753.
44. Sarah, b. 1754.
45. Esek, b. 1750.
46. Henry.
47. Jeremiah.
48. Patience, b. 1767.

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63. SILENCE MOWRY, married JOSEPH COOK, June 8, 1746.

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26. JOHN MOWRY, died Feb. 10, 1798, in the 60th year of his age. He was therefore born about 1738. His wife LOIS died March 22, 1802, aged 62 years. (Nelson says "in the 61st year of her age.")

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Number 93 is MARTHA. Also on same page, WANTON MOWRY (No. 32) died May 20, 1766. His widow DINAH was his administratrix.

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115. Mary; died Oct. 25, 1874, aged 97.
120. Israel, b. Aug. 24, 1787.
122. Amey, b. Sept. 3, 1803.
123. Robert, b. Dec. 5, 1805.
124. Patience, b. in 1807; died in 1834.

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Sixth to 10th lines from top, read, "In 1793 she married his son Sylvester, with whom she lived happily *fifty-two* years, when she died, aged *eighty-one* years, mourned by a large circle of descendants and friends."

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72. JOHN MOWRY, died May 4, 1852. His wife POLLY died Jan. 30, 1859, aged 82.

CHILDREN.

211. Ralph, b. May 3, 1795.
212. Charles, b. March 27, 1797, in Woodstock, Ct.
213. Eliza, b. April 7, 1801 ; d. Sept. 20, 1854.
214. Lucy, b. Dec. 10, 1798 ; d. Aug. 2, 1876.
215. Lois, b. July 5, 1806 ; d. Feb. 22, 1856.
216. John, b. Feb. 1, 1808 ; d. July 3, 1840.
217. Mariah, b. Jan. 22, 1811.
217*a*. Mary Ann, b. May 6, 1813 ; d. Jan. 11, 1865.
217*b*. William, b. Dec. 8, 1815 ; d. Dec. 8, 1877.
217*c*. Clarissa, b. June 24, 1819 ; d. March 2, 1850.

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At the end of the account of William Mowry, insert the following obituary notice, which has been found in the form of a newspaper cutting since that page was printed. It is evidently from a paper published in the village of Greenwich, N. Y. He was a man of such prominence, and the statements are of such value, as to warrant its insertion here.

"Died, in this village, on Sunday morning, March 23, 1854, in the 66th year of his age, William Mowry, Esq., one of our most respected citizens.

"The death of such a man leaves a void in society not soon to be filled, and it well becomes the few who remain of his long attached friends to drop the tribute of a tear over his earthly remains, and to sincerely cherish the memory of his sterling worth and his manly virtues.

"Mr. Mowry was a native of Woodstock, Conn. In his early childhood his parents removed to Rhode Island. His

father's native place was Smithfield, R. I. Having acquired a knowledge of manufacturing cotton at the famed pioneer establishment of Samuel Slater, Pawtucket, of that State, he then came to this place, where he has since resided, and commenced business. It was the first attempt in this State ; it was regarded as a hazardous enterprise ; it proved, however, eminently successful, and others were ready to embark in it. An association was formed under the firm of William Mowry & Co., who have pursued the business to the present time. The whole management devolved on Mr. Mowry, and was continued by him with singular ability, till long-continued illness compelled him to resign its direction to other hands.

" This article was not intended as an eulogy on the deceased, nor is it necessary ; his character for industry, prudence, punctuality, and strict integrity is too firmly established in the business community to require the aid of posthumous praise ; nor will his courtesy, kindness, and liberality be soon forgotten in the social circle where he so long moved.

" Mr. Mowry, on the 12th of April, 1831, made a public profession of religion, and became a member of the Reformed Dutch Church, — where he attended regularly, until sickness prevented his further enjoyment of the privileges of the sanctuary. As his physical powers gave way, his mental were gradually affected. Still, however, he endured all patiently ; appeared interested in hearing the reading of the Bible and other religious books ; and uniformly expressed a sense of his utter sinfulness, and a humble dependence on the grace of God through Jesus Christ. Severely as his family must feel this bereavement, they cannot but remember how he was ' made to possess months of vanity, and wearisome nights were appointed unto him,' and now they sorrow not as those who have no hope."

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111. ELISHA MOWRY, married March 28, 1802, in Cheshire, Mass., BARBARA BAKER. He died March 2, 1853, at Ann Arbor, Mich. She died Jan. 7, 1857, at Ann Arbor.

CHILDREN.

305*a*. Maria, b. Jan. 20, 1803, at Cheshire; d. Feb. 4, 1804.
306. Zebina M., b. Oct. 26, 1804, at Cheshire.
307. Hethcott M., b. Nov. 6, 1806, at Cheshire.
308. James B., b. April 26, 1809, at Cheshire.
308*a*. Elisha R., b. Aug. 24, 1811, at Cheshire; d. Aug. 27, 1830, at Madison, N. Y.
309. Israel, b. May 15, 1814, at Cheshire.
310. Maria L., b. Jan. 23, 1820, at Madison, N. Y.

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118. SARAH MOWRY, married SAMUEL TAFT, of Uxbridge. He was born Dec. 12, 1782, and died Feb. 8, 1842, in Westfield, Chatauqua Co., N. Y. She died Oct. 6, 1857, at the same place.

CHILDREN.

Israel, b. Dec. 6, 1803.
Susan, b. Sept. 12, 1805; d. April 3, 1866.
Anne C., b. Sept. 5, 1807.
Polly, b. June 12, 1809; d. Oct. 15, 1809.
Abigail Wood, b. Dec. 10, 1810.
Calista C., b. March 13, 1813; d. Oct. 7, 1815.
Frederick, b. April 15, 1815; d. March 24, 1844.
Waity Mariah, b. Oct. 19, 1817; d. Oct. 1830.
Perley P., b. Feb. 20, 1820.
Clyrena, b. April 12, 1822; d. July 22, 1822.
Sarah Congdon, b. Oct. 4, 1823; d. Nov. 16, 1826.

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120. ISRAEL MOWRY, Jr., son of Israel, born Aug. 24, 1787; married Aug. 20, 1815, Phila Wood, born July 12, 1798. He died June 16, 1855.

CHILDREN.

322*a*. Barbara B., b. Dec. 30, 1817.
322*b*. Betsey C., b. Dec. 16, 1819.
322*c*. Ezra W., b. Oct. 14, 1822.
322*d*. Daniel C., b. June 16, 1825.
322*e*. Ann A., b. April 16, 1827.
322*f*. Almira M., b. Jan. 12, 1829.
322*g*. John G., b. Sept. 10, 1831.
322*h*. Charles H., b. May 23, 1833.
322*i*. George W., b. May 25, 1835.

122. AMEY MOWRY, born Sept. 3, 1803; married June 29, 1830, David P. Mowry, born Feb. 25, 1810, and died Oct. 4, 1842. She died Jan. 27, 1859. No children.

123. ROBERT MOWRY, born Dec. 5, 1805, in Mendon; married Feb. 2, 1832, Paulina Fisher, of Medway. She was born in Bellingham, Oct. 19, 1810.

CHILDREN.

322*k*. Robert L., b. Aug. 1, 1835; d. Sept. 15, 1836.
322*l*. Mary H., b. Aug. 31, 1840; d. Feb. 21, 1846, in Grafton.
323. Abbie F., b. June 19, 1842.
All born in Medway.

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212. CHARLES MOWRY, married Jan. 1, 1823, Matilda Denison. She was born May 14, 1804.

CHILDREN.

Insert the following additional dates: —

524. Richard H., b. Dec. 28 (29?), 1828; d. May 27, 1871.
525. John S., b. June 26 (6?), 1832.
527. Mary A.; d. Nov. 7, 1854.

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Rev. JAMES WHEATON MOWRY; married [1] Mary W. Cushman.

CHILD.

559*a*. Mary Frances, born Sept. 10, 1835, in Lebanon, N. H.

Married [2] Jan. 1, 1849, Arathusa Sawyer.

CHILD.

559*b*. Solon Webster, b. Nov. 17, 1849, at Springfield, Mass.; d. Oct. 10, 1851, at Wilbraham, Mass.

James W. Mowry, at the age of twenty-two, entered the traveling ministry of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He joined the Vermont and New Hampshire Conference in the spring of 1830. He was ordained deacon at Lyndon, Vt., in 1832, by Bishop R. R. Roberts. He was ordained elder at Windsor, Vt., in 1834, by Bishop Elijah Hedding. He was stationed in 1834 and 1835, at Lebanon, Vt.; next at Concord, N. H. While at Concord he served as chaplain at the state-prison.

He preached at New Market, Great Falls, Nashua, and Manchester, each two years. While at Manchester he was twice elected to the State legislature, and represented that city during the two terms, serving at the same time as

chaplain of the House of Representatives. From Manchester he was appointed to Worcester, Mass., and continued to serve the church in the work of the ministry, from place to place, till April, 1878, when he retired from active service. He therefore labored in the ministry *forty-eight* years. He is now living in Barre, Mass., aged seventy years. From the above it will be seen that Elder Mowry has been a laborious and successful minister of the Gospel for nearly half a century, serving as pastor of some of the largest and strongest of the Methodist churches in New England.

231. WILLIAM PITT MOWRY; married April 17, 1836, MATILDA AMELIA CRANE. She was born Aug. 22, 1814.

CHILDREN.

559*c*. Caroline Matilda, b. April 23, 1837; d. Jan. 2, 1839.

559*d*. James William, b. Nov. 9, 1839; d. Oct. 21, 1860.

559*e*. Louisa Amelia, b. Jan. 2, 1843.

559*f*. Mary Jane, b. Nov. 25, 1849.

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Should be added the following: —

306. ZEBINA MOWRY, son of Elisha, born Oct. 26, 1804; married [1] at Madison, N. Y., Feb. 22, 1827, SARAH LEWIS. She died at Milford, Mich., March 7, 1845.

CHILDREN.

655*a*. Henry B., b. March 21, 1828, at Madison, N. Y.

655*b*. Emily A., b. Feb. 13, 1833, at Madison, N. Y.

655*c*. Ann Maria, b. June 26, 1837, at Morrisville, N. Y.

655*d*. Mary M., b. Nov. 14, 1843, at Milford, Mich.; d. Dec. 2, 1853.

Married [2] at Milford, Mich., Dec. 18, 1845, MARY ANN THOMPSON.

307. HETHCOTT M. MOWRY, son of Elisha, born Nov. 6, 1806; married at Madison, N. Y., Dec. 30, 1833, HARRIET A. JACKSON.

CHILDREN.

655*e*. James Rodney, b. April 10, 1836, at Ann Arbor, Mich.

655*f*. Mary B., b. Feb. 6, 1842, at Ann Arbor, Mich.

308. JAMES B. MOWRY, son of Elisha, born April 26, 1809; married [1] Jan. 11, 1832, ALLASEBA M. EDGARTON, at Madison, N. Y. She died July 2, 1835.

Married [2] Dec. 25, 1836, ABIGAIL NIXON, at Ann Arbor, Mich.

CHILDREN.

655*g*. Sarah A., b. Oct. 25, 1838, at Ann Arbor; d. Dec. 2, 1860.

655*h*. Lodema E., b. Nov. 16, 1840.

655*i*. Catherine A., b. Feb. 22, 1842.

655*k*. Lucinda A., b. Jan. 16, 184– (?).

309. ISRAEL MOWRY, son of Elisha, born May 15, 1814; married at Dixbow, Mich., Dec. 15, 1836, RUTH BEDELL.

CHILDREN.

655*l*. Granville Gilbert, b. Sept. 9, 1837, at Ann Arbor.

655*m*. Ida Corinne, b. Sept. 22, 1859; d. Aug. 6, 1860.

310. MARIA L. MOWRY, daughter of Elisha, born Jan. 23, 1820; married [1] at Ann Arbor, Dec. 25, 1839, WORDEN N. RICHARDSON. He died March 12, 1854.

CHILDREN.

Fanny, b. in Toledo, Ohio, March 25, 1842.
Fred, b. Jan. 2, 1846; d. Jan. 3, 1846.
Clara, b. Jan. 9, 1849; d. Oct. 13, 1849.
Maurice, b. April 16, 1852; d. Aug. 11, 1852.

Married [2] April 25, 1855, JOSEPH L. BARKER, at Detroit.

CHILD.

Alice Marion, March 26, 1859; d. July 29, 1859.

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Read "681, Waity *Angell* Mowry," not "Waity *Ann*."

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523. LEONARD C. MOWRY, son of Charles, born Aug. 22, 1825; married [1] Jan. 7, 1851, MARINDA S. BABCOCK.

CHILDREN.

848. Mary E., b. Jan. 2, 1855; married Dec. 19, 1877, G. Chapman.
849. Warren, b. May, 1857; d. May 19, 1859.

Married [2] Sept. 11, 1860, MARY E. BRADLEY.

CHILDREN.

850. Harriet M., b. Nov. 11, 1861; d. Nov. 21, 1863.
851. William E., b. June 10, 1863.
852. Abraham Lincoln, b. Sept. 15, 1864.
853. Elizabeth, b. Jan. 9, 1869.
854. Walter S., b. April 8, 1870.

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560. CHARLES N. MOWRY, son of Nelson. Married Nov. 27, 1877, FLORENCE SOPHIA TOMBS, of North Bennington, Vt.

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559*e*. LOUISA A. MOWRY, daughter of William Pitt, b. Jan. 2, 1843; married Sept. 12, 1866, JAMES W. SMITH, of Gloversville, N. Y.

CHILDREN.

Harmon Mowry, b. Nov. 18, 1867.
Carrie Louise, b. Sept. 23, 1869.
Louis Lyman, b. March 29, 1872; died Aug. 21, 1872.

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655*a*. HENRY B. MOWRY, son of Zebina, born March 21, 1828; married at Milford, Mich., Feb. 13, 1855, MARY S. WHITE.

CHILDREN.

893*a*. Marion M., b. May 28, 1856, at Milford, Mich.
893*b*. Cordelia L., b. July 2, 1860.

655*b*. EMILY A. MOWRY, daughter of Zebina, born Feb. 13, 1833; married at Milford, Mich., Aug. 22, 1848, SARDIS FLETCHER HUBBELL.

CHILDREN.

Flora C., b. Jan. 24, 1850, at Milford, Mich.; died Jan. 25, 1850.
Frank Zebina, b. Sept. 14, 1851.
Fred Fletcher, b. May 4, 1859, at Howell, Mich.

655*e*. JAMES R. MOWRY, son of Hethcott M., born April 10, 1836; married at Ann Arbor, Oct. 2, 1858, HARRIET BENHAM.

655*f*. MARY B. MOWRY, daughter of Hethcott M., born Feb. 6, 1842; married at Ann Arbor, May 8, 1861, GEORGE O. IDE.

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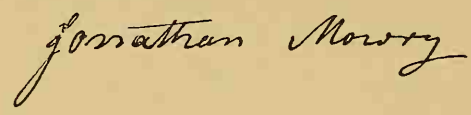
By inadvertence the fac-simile of Jonathan Mowry's handwriting was omitted. It is inserted here.



The corrections given above cover all errors that have been discovered. The additions here inserted embrace all information received since the body of the book went to press. The entire number of descendants of Nathaniel Mowry given in the book is about 1,575, of which about 1,075 are of the name of Mowry, and 500 are of other names.

It is recommended that references be inserted upon the several pages mentioned in the "Additions and Corrections," giving the page where the further information may be found, except cases of correction of figures, which can be made directly upon the pages where they occur.

On page 157 Col. William Cook is mentioned as brother of Gov. Nicholas Cooke.

Governor Cooke had no brother William.

Colonel William was a noted man, of large property and an excellent family of English extraction.

Governor Nicholas was the son of Daniel, who was the son of John, who emigrated to this country from Wales. The family of the governor spell the name Cooke; the family of the Colonel, Cook.

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